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INADEQUATE NAVIGATING COMPLEMENTS.

QUESTIONS IN COMMONS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, July 18.

In the House of Commons, asking questions regarding the sinking of the steamship "Rajee" off the Malayan Coast, Mr. Shinwell (Labour) suggested that there were very strong comments all along the China Coast regarding the section of the Merchant Shipping Act relating to the complement of officers to be carried on ships.

Lord Wolmer, Parliamentary Secretary of the Board of Trade replied that the court of enquiry had found that all the requirements of the law had been carried out regarding this particular ship.

CHINA'S POST OFFICE.

WHAT THE TRANSFER MEANS.

BLOW TO DRUG TRADE.

LONDON, July 18.

In a letter to the *Times*, Sir John Jordan, replying to Mr. Oscar Berry, says the transfer of the foreign post offices in China generally to Chinese control is an important positive result of the Washington agreement. It is true the actual transfer in Shanghai was attended with considerable inconvenience, but the few who had witnessed the admirable work of the Chinese postal administration in recent years, will doubt that the efficient service will be maintained.

International morality perhaps will be the greatest gainer by the change, as it will no longer be possible to introduce morphia, cocaine and other drugs into China through the foreign post offices.

[In a letter to the *Times*, Mr. Oscar Berry, who has just returned from Shanghai, asserted that everyone there was put to the greatest inconvenience by the handing over of the British Post Office to Chinese control.]

OUR EXPORT TRADE.

PROSPECTS STILL NOT ROSY.

WORLD UNREST BLAMED.

LONDON, July 18.

In the House of Commons, replying to the debate on the Board of Trade estimates, Sir Philip Lloyd-Greame, President of the Board, pointed out that the export trade at the beginning of 1922 showed a deficit of 35 per cent. compared with before the war. By the beginning of 1923 this deficit had dropped to 20 per cent. Traders and others, however, had almost unanimously said orders were not coming in to-day, owing to the general uncertainty due to the failure to obtain a world settlement. The prospects throughout our industries were nothing like as good as last January. The speaker stressed the vital necessity of getting stable conditions, also the necessity of a steady, bold policy in developing Imperial resources in the Dominions and colonies.

£4,000,000 RAILWAY ISSUE.

SOUTH MANCHURIAN BONDS.

LONDON, July 18.

The South Manchurian railway issue is £4,000,000 in 5 per cent. sterling bonds, price £88.

The Japanese Government unconditionally guarantees the principal and interest.

[The *Times* City correspondent stated that arrangements were far advanced for the flotation of new capital in the neighbourhood of four million sterling by a well-known Far Eastern railway company guaranteed by the Government of the country in which the railway operates.]

INDIAN BANK FAILURE.

GOVERNMENT CENSURED.

SIMLA, July 18.

The Legislative Assembly by 48 votes to 39 passed a resolution moved by Sir Sivaswami Aiyer censuring the Government for its action in guaranteeing the Imperial Bank against loss in connection with payments by it in connection with the failure of the Alliance Bank of Simla.

HOLY CARPET.

MEDICAL MISSION DISPUTE.

HUSSEIN EXPLAINS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, July 18.

The reply of King Hussein in the dispute with Egypt, says that Hussein's representative, so informed the Emir of Elhaj, the Egyptian representative, that Hussein was quite willing to receive him and the medical mission and to permit him to land unrestrictedly all the medicines and hospital equipment required, but refused to countenance Emir's plans to establish hospitals in Jeddah and Mecca as an infraction of the sovereign rights of the Mecca Government. King Hussein therefore blames the Egyptian Government for the incident.

[A serious dispute developed between the Egyptian and the Hedjaz Governments, owing to the latter's refusal to admit the Egyptian medical mission sent as usual with the Holy Carpet to Mecca, on the ground that it was infringing Hedjaz independence. Consequently, the Egyptian Government has ordered the return of the Carpet from Jeddah to Egypt, with the medical mission. The £8,000 and the shipment of corn and oil annually sent to the Hedjaz are also being withheld.]

ROUND THE WORLD.

BRITAIN'S AIRWAY SCHEME.

FAR EAST THE GOAL.

LONDON, July 18.

The Duke of Sutherland, Under Secretary of the Air Ministry, presiding at a meeting of the Air League of the Empire, said he was hopeful that a decision would be taken very shortly on the big airship scheme before the Imperial Defence Committee met. He believed the scheme would turn out to be a far-reaching one both as a means of linking up the Empire and making the Far East our eventual goal. "We shall gradually move by stages in that direction, first possibly to Egypt, then to India, perhaps in 72 hours, and then on round the world.

AND SO IT GOES.

FRENCH SEIZE GERMAN MONEY.

BELGIUM'S EXPEDIENT.

PARIS, July 18.

A message from Duesseldorf states that the French have seized 26 milliards of marks intended for railway strikers.

BRUSSELS, July 18.

The Chamber by 76 votes to 69 (eight abstentions) adopted the article of the Military Service Bill prolonging the period of service for two months during the occupation of the Ruhr.

RUSSIA AND PERSIA.

TRADE OVERTURES FAIL.

TEHERAN, July 18.

The Soviet trade delegation has left here, apparently without achieving its object of inducing Persian merchants to participate in the Nijni Novgorod fair.

The Soviet delegation which is working for the revision of the Russo-Persian tariffs is, however, remaining.

[Nijni-Novgorod, at the confluence of the Rivers Volga and Oka, is a great commercial centre with a population of 100,000. The famous fair is held every year, and merchandise to the value of £25,000,000 has been sold at one fair.]

NEW DUTCH NAVY BILL.

FINANCE MINISTER RESIGNS.

THE HAGUE, July 18.

The Cabinet has decided to submit to the States General in the autumn a new navy bill to be enforced on January 1.

The Minister of Finance does not approve of the project and has tendered his resignation to the Queen who has referred it to the Premier.

THE PROPERTY BOOM.

ANOTHER BIG DEAL!

A big deal in real estate was completed at noon to-day in the office of Mr. F. E. Nash, solicitor when Mr. Silva Netto's property "Belmont," at No. 6, Robinson Road, was sold to Messrs. Ngai Lai-tong, Nga Ping-yim, Kong E. Suen and Kong Siu-luey, described as gentlemen of Victoria.

Mr. Silva Netto purchased the property, then known as "Dethick" from Mr. A. Bevington, a partner in Messrs. Shewan Tomes, when he retired a few years ago, for between fifty and sixty thousand dollars. The new owner paid Mr. Silva Netto $373,366.50, the equivalent of $3.90 per square foot. The Chinese purchasers have held an option over the property for the past four months. Mr. F. E. Nash has acted as solicitor to both parties throughout the transaction.

There is apparently no cessation yet in sight of the great property boom in Hongkong and Kowloon. We hear of several offers being made by brokers on behalf of prospective owners, all Chinese, for single houses. The owner of one house in Kowloon which cost him $8,000 has received an offer of $28,000. Another has received an offer of $40,000 for his house which originally, but a few years ago, cost him $14,000. Such offers are tempting, but as one owner said to a *China Mail* man; "if we sell, where can we go?" It simply aggravates the housing question. People who are able to make immense profits by reason of simple transactions made some time back, not always with a view to ulterior profit, have the means at hand to pay the enhanced rents which owners demand for the flats and houses they are building. If any good is done by these sales, it must be to make the trek into the country beyond Kowloon, more inevitable, which will be all to the good.

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The fares prescribed for public vehicles are as follows :—

I.—In the Island of Hongkong, Caine Road and Lower Levels, and in Kowloon, and New Kowloon.

RICKSHAS.

Five minutes,	5 cents
Ten minutes,	10 ,,
Quarter hour,	15 ,,
Half hour,	20 ,,
One hour,	30 ,,
Every Subsequent hour,	30 ,,

If the jinrickshа be engaged within the City of Victoria, and be discharged outside the Western part of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., or be discharged to the East of Fay View Police Station on the Eastern side of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., an extra half fare shall be chargeable.

For 2 or 3 drivers the fare is double or treble respectively.

II.—In the Hill District.

Ten minutes,	15 cents
Quarter hour,	20 ,,
Half hour,	30 ,,
One hour,	40 ,,

III.—In the New Territories.

By arrangement with the proprietors through the Police.

CHAIRS.

I.—Lower Levels.

	With 2 Bearers	With 4 Bearers.
Ten minutes,	10 cents	20 cents
Quarter hour,	15 ,,	30 ,,
Half hour,	25 ,,	40 ,,
One hour,	35 ,,	80 ,,
Every subsequent hour,	25 ,,	40 ,,

II.—Hill District.

	With 2 Bearers	With 4 Bearers.
Ten minutes,	15 cents	30 cents
Quarter hour,	20 ,,	40 ,,
Half hour,	30 ,,	60 ,,
One hour,	40 ,,	80 ,,
Every subsequent hour	25	,,

THE WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in reservoirs on the 1st July 1923 :—

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1922.	1923.
Tytam 68ft. 0in. Below overflow	27 ft. 0 in.	Below overflow
Tytam Byewash 24ft. 0in. Below overflow	18 ft. 6 in.	Below overflow
Tytam Intermediate 68ft. 1 in. Below overflow	14 ft. 3 in.	Below overflow
Tytam Tuk 68ft. 0in. Below overflow	68 ft. 7 in.	Below overflow
Wong Nai Chung, 24ft. 0in. Below overflow	22 ft. 9 in.	Below overflow
Pokfulam, 21 ft. 10in. Below overflow	4 ft. 8 in.	Below overflow

STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.

	1922.	1923.
Tytam	192.10	195.10
Tytam Byewash	7.07	3.62
Tytam Intermediate	95.16	124.62
Tytam Tuk	316.48	263.15
Wong Nai Chung	6.06	8.64
Pokfulam	21.00	56.22
Total	473.79	650.75

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of June.

	1922.	1923.	
Consumption	261.71	183.02	m. g.
Estimated population	261,180	271,500	
Consumption per head per day	21.1	16.4	gallons

Constant supply to all districts during June 1922 with the exception of the Districts West of Eastern Street and Arsenal Street to Heard Street where Intermittent Supply by Rider Mains was resorted to from 12th and 18th June 1922.

Intermittent Supply in all Rider Main districts during June 1923.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1922.	1923.
Kowloon Gravitation Reservoir	30 ft. 9in. Below overflow	18ft. 9 in. Below overflow

STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.

	1922.	1923.
Kowloon Gravitation Reservoir	62.25	163.72

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of June.

	1922.	1923.	
Consumption	45.85	47.97	m. g.
Estimated population	128,100	140,500	
Consumption per head per day	11.2	11.3	gallons

Restricted Supply in all districts from 6th to 23rd inclusive June 1922.

Restricted Supply in all districts up to 17th June 1923.

The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

	1922	1923
Total Rainfall to 30th June	24.37 in.	29.07 in.

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Chocolate Love-Making.

A man with brains—who knows how to use them—can win any girl's love. A man who has only chocolates to offer, can win *some* girls' love—not all. And then he may not be able to keep it. Middle-aged Cyrano de Bergerac had an enormously large nose, the *Daily Chronicle* reminds us. The golden eloquence of his tongue won all hearts. Young Christian, his rival, was a perfect Adonis for beauty. When he spoke he became a perfect fool. Christian was a "Chocolate Lover." In these days Chocolate Lovers abound. The average young man does not choose to use his brains when love-making. He keeps them for his office and his sports. He meets a girl who is beautiful in his eyes. If she can entertain and amuse him—many of them can't—he straightway falls in love with her, and begins giving her chocolates, perhaps the same kind—week in and week out. He wins her by chocolates. The average young man is not imaginative in his love-making. Chocolate-love calls for no imagination. It is, therefore, much in vogue. The lover who uses his brains does not need to waste his money on chocolates. Nor will the girl expect them. If, however, they sometimes come—then they will be all the more welcome. Later on, when these two are married, and housekeeping expenses begin, there will be no awkward remarks about the absence of chocolates. Is it because there is so much "Chocolate Love" about in these days that marriage is so often a failure?

Begging Letters to the Prince.

At the annual meeting of the London Mendicity Society, held under the chairmanship of the Duke of Wellington, at 31, Grosvenor-square, Brigadier-General Trotter said the Prince of Wales received a great number of begging letters from every class, and the demands ranged from £10,000 to 1d. Those which asked for £3 or £4 were sent to the Mendicity Society for investigation, and when proved genuine were dealt with generously. The Hon. Henry S. Littleton stated that of 1,778 cases of begging recorded and dealt with at the various metropolitan police-courts, 363 were case where assistance had been given by the constables' department of the society. Of the 363 cases, 166 had already received sentences for begging. Of these 66 had ten sentences, and one unfortunate man had a record of forty-five convictions. During the discussion Major-General Sir Harold Ruggles-Brise said that many ex-officers with barrel organs made as much as £10 a day.

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Butcher Meat.

	July 5, 1923. Cts.	June 1918. Cts.	June 1914. Cts.
Beef Sirloin,—Mei Lung Pa ... lb.	30	24	12
,, Prime Cut ... ... ,,	30	24	12
,, Corned,—Ham Ngau Yuk. ,,	...	33	20
,, Roast,—Shiu ,, ,, ,,	30	24	22
,, Breast,—Ngau Nam ,, ,,	26	20	18
,, Soup,—Tong Yuk ... ... ,,	26	20	18
,, Steak,—Ngau Yuk Pa ... ,,	30	24	22
,, Steak Sirloin,—Ngau Lau ,,	40	30	35
,, Sausages, — Ngau Cheung ,,	20	28	20
Bullock's Brains,—Ngau No per set	12	10	12
Tongue, fresh,—Ngau Li each	60	50	60
Tongue, corned,—Ham Ngau Li each ... cents.	60	—	
Head,—Ngau Tau... each	1.00	1.00	1.20
,, Heart,—Ngau Sam... lb.	16	12	14
,, Hump, Salt—Ngau Kiu ,,	26	20	18
,, Feet,—Ngau Keuk...each	12	10	12
,, Kidneys,—Ngau Yiu ,,	12	10	12
,, ,,—Ngau Mei ... ,,	24	20	22
,, Liver,—Ngau Kon... lb.	16	13	14
,, Tripe (undressed), Ngau To lb.	8	6	7
Calves' Head and Feet,—Ngau-tsai-tau-keuk ... ... set	$1.20	1.00	1.00
Mutton Chop,—Yeung Pei Kwat lb.	40	26	25
,, Leg,—Yeung Pei... ... ,,	40	26	25
,, Shoulder,—Yeung Shau ,,	36	24	24
,, Saddle,—Yeung On Yuk ,,	40	16	—
Pig's Chitlings,—Chu Chong ,,	36	25	27
,, Brains,—Chu No ..... per set	3	12	12
,, Feet,—Chu Keuk ... ... lb.	15	15	—
,, Fry,—Chu Chap ... ... ,,	40	15	18
,, Head,—Chu Tau ... ... ,,	18	20	
,, Heart,—Chu Sam ... ... each	12	10	10
,, Kidneys,—Chu Yiu. ... each	12	10	8
,, Liver,—Chu Kon ... ... lb.	35	30	24
Pork Chop,—Chu Pai Kwat ... ,,	30	25	23
,, Leg,—Chu Pei... ... ... ,,	32	28	27
,, Loin,—Chu Hau Tun ... ,,	18		—
,, Fat or Lard,—Chu Yau... ,,	22	21	—
Sheep's Head and Feet,—Yeung Tau-Keuk... ... ... set	75	60	70
Heart,—Yeung Sam ... each	10	8	7
Kidneys,—Yeung Yiu each	15	12	10
,, Liver,—Yeung Kon ... lb.	40	26	25
Sucking Pigs, to order,—Chu Tsai ,,	25	25	22
Suet, Beef,—Shang Ngau Yau ... ,,	28	20	18
,, Mutton,—Shang Yeung Yau ,,	40	28	24
Veal,—Ngau Tsai Yuk... ... ... ,,	24	20	19
Sausages,—Ngau Tsai Cheung	28	20	20
No. 1 ... lb.	30	—	—

Fish.

	July 5, 1923. Cts.	June 1918. Cts.	June 1914. Cts.
Barbel,—Ka Yu... ... ... lb.	26	19	24
Bream,—Pin Yu... ... ... ,,	38	20	16
Canton Fresh Water Fish,—Hoi Sin Yu ,,	32	16	16
Carp,—Li Yu	36	16	27
Catfish,—Chik Yu	40	12	9
Codfish,—Mun Yu	36	20	25
Crabs,—Hai...	45	22	26
Cuttle Fish,—Muk Yu ... ... ,,	24	16	2
Dab,—Sha Mang Yu ... ... ,,	45	23	15
Dace,—Wong Mei Lap ... ... ,,	16	10	9
Dog Fish,—Tih To Sha ... ... ,,	10	10	8
Eels, Conger,—Hoi Man ... ... ,,	34	16	16
,, Fresh water,—Tam Shui Yu ,,	34	20	18
,, Yellow—Wong Sin ... ... ,,	42	26	30
Frogs,—Tin Kai... ... ... ,,	60	22	25
Garoupa,—Shek Pan... ... ... ,,	42	40	30
Gudgeon.—Pak Kap Yu ... ... ,,	18	18	15
Herrings,—Tso Pak ... ... ,,	30	22	18
Halibut,—Cheung Kwan Kap... ,,	16	18	23
Labrus,—Wong Fa Yu ... ... ,,	32	22	18
Loach,—Wu Yu ... ... ,,	52	22	24
Lobsters,—Lung Ha ... ... ,,	40	32	21
Mackerel,—Chi Yu ... ... ,,	26	20	26
Monk Fish,—Mong Yu ... ... ,,	36	22	28
Mullet,—Tsai Yu... ... ... ,,	26	18	2
Oysters,—Shang Ho ... ... ,,	30	16	22
Parrot Fish,—Kai Kung Yu ... ,,	20	14	9
Perch,—Tan Lo ... ... ,,	28	20	15
Pike,—Fa Pau Fung ... ... ,,	10	16	9
Plaice,—Pan Yu... ... ... ,,	42	28	14
Pomfret, Black,—Hak Chong ... ,,	40	26	29
Pomfret, White, Pak Chong ...	48	36	30
Prawns,—Ming Ha ... ... ,,	60	36	45
Ray,—Pai Pa Sha ... ... ,,	10	10	14
Rock Fish,—Shak Kau Kung ... ,,	18	12	16
Roach,—Chun Yu ... ... ,,	36	22	16
Salmon,—Ma Yau... ... ... ,,	45	38	30
Shark,—Sha Yu ... ... ,,	10	8	10
Skate,—Po Yu ... ... ,,	18	10	10
Shrimps,—Ha ... ... ,,	42	26	25
Snapper,—Lap Yu ... ... ,,	48	32	30
Soles,—Tab Sha Yu ... ... ,,	36	28	28
Tench,—Wan Yu ... ... ,,	34	22	18
Turbot,—Tso Hau Yu ... ... ,,	30	18	22
Turtles, small (fresh water),—Kuek Yu	90	40	...

Poultry.

	July 5, 1923. Cts.	June 1918 Cts.	June 1914 Cts.
Chicken,—Kai ... ... lb.	60	30	31
Capons, Small,—Sin Kai ... ... ,,	65	28	30
Capons, Large,—Sin Ka ... ... ,,	60	28	30
Duck,—Ap ... ... ,,	45	22	22
Doves,—Pan Kau ... Each ... ,,	...	—	—
Eggs, Hen,—Kai Tan (cooking) per doz	26	18	—
Eggs, Hen,—Kai Tan (fresh)...per doz.	30	25	20
Fowls, Canton,—Kai... ... ... lb.	75	38	24
Fowls, Hainan,—Hoi Nam Kai ,,	45	28	—
Geese,—Ngo ... ... ,,	40	24	24
Pigeons, Canton,—Pak Kap...each	55	30	
,, Heihow,—Hei Hau Pak Kap each	30	23	
Turkeys, Cock,—Fo Kai Kung lb.	55	60	5
Turkeys, Hen,—Fo Kai Na ... ,,	50	55	45
Snipe,—Sha Tsui... ... ... each ...		22	—
Pheasant,—Shan Kai... ... ... ,, ...		—	—
Quail,—Om Chun ... ... ,, ...		—	2
Partridges,—Che Ku ... ... ,, ...		—	—

Fruits.

	July 5, 1923. Cts.	June 1918 Cts.	June 1914 Cts.
Almonds,—Hang Yan ... ... lb.	65	35	
Apples, (California),—Kam Shan Ping Ko ,,	32	24	
Bananas, (bride's), Macao,—San Heung Chiu ,,	6	4	
Carambola,—Yeung To ... ... ,, ...		12	—
Cocoanuts,—Ye Tse ... ... each	11	10	10
Lemons, China,—Ling Mung... lb.	14	7	
Lemons, (America),—Kam Shan Ling Mung ... each	7	8	6
Lichees, Dried, (small stone),—Lai Chi Kon lb.	30	25	3
Oranges, (Canton), Sweet—	32	—	10
Shan-sheung Tim Chang lb.	15		
Oranges, Tim Chang	32	—	14
Pears, (Canton), Cooking,—Sha Li ,,	10		...
Peanuts,—Fa Shang ... ... ,,	12	10	12
Persimmons, Large,—Hung Tse ,, ...		12	...
Plantain,—Tai Chiu ... ... ,,	4	3	4
Pumelo, Siam,—Tsim Lo Yau ...each	12	12	6
Walnuts,—Hop To ... ... lb.	14		14
Grapes,—Po Tai Tsz ... ... ,, ...			...

Vegetables, &c.

	July 5, 1923. Cts.	June 1918 Cts.	June 1914 Cts.
Artichokes,—Ah Chi Cheuk ...each		-	8
Beans, Sprout,—Nga Tso... ... lb	4		7
,, Long,—Tau Kok ... ,,	10	5	—
Beet Root,—Hung Tsoi Tau ... ,,	2 each	8	6
Bitter Squash,—Fu Kwa ... ... ,,	5	—	—
Brinjals, Green,—Ching Yun Kwa ,,	5	5	9
,, Red,—Hung Kee... ... ,,	6	5	8
Cabbage Chinese, (common),—Kai Tsoi ,,	5	5	12
,, (Shanghai)—Ye Tsoi ... ,,	15	12	—
Cane Shoots, bunch,—Kau Shun ,, ...		—	2
Cauliflower (Large),—Ye Tsoi Fa each ...		—	—
(Medium), ,, ,, ...		—	—
(Small), ,, ,, ...		—	
Carrots,—Ham Shun... ... ... lb	6	6	6
Celery Chinese,—Tong Kan Tsoi ,,	8	10	8
Chillies, Dried,—Kon Lat Chiu ,,	20	25	5
,, Red,—Hung Fa Chiu ... ,,	15	10	6
,, Green,—Ching Lat Chiu ,,	8	6	12
Curry Stuff, English,—Ka Li Chi Lau lb.	10	10	10
Cucumbers,—Ching Kwa... ...each	3	2	—
Garlic,—Suan Tau ... ... lb.	5	8	...
Ginger, young,—Sun Tse Keung ,,	12	7	...
Ginger, old,—Lo Keung	8	10	...
Horseradish, Shanghai,—Lih Kan ,,	10	45	...
Indian Corn,—Shuk Mai ... ...each	7	6	4
Lettuce,—Yeung Shang Tsoi ... lb.	5	1	
Water Chestnuts,—Ma Tai ... lb.	10	6	6
,, Mandarin,—Kwai Lam Ma Tai ... ,, ...	10	8	
Mushrooms, Fresh,—Shang Tso Ku lb.	55	...	2
Okroes ... ... b.	10	1	10
Onions, Bombay,—Yeung Chong Tau lb.	10	8	8
Onions, Green,—Shang Chung lb.	6	4	6
Onions, Shanghai,—Sheung-hoi Chung Tau ,,	6	6	—
Parsley,—Kun Tsoi ... ... ,,	20	6	8
Potato, Sweet,—Fan Shu ... ... ,,	4	3	—
,, Japanese,—Yat Pun Shu Tsai lb.		3	—
,, American,—Fa Ki Shu Tsai lb.	7	5	10
Pumpkin,—Tung Kwa ... ... lb.	4	3	4
Radish,—Hung Lo Pak Tsai ... ,,	4	5	...
Rhubarb (Fresh),—Tai Wong ...		...	10
Shallots,—Hong Chong Tau ... ,,	6	8	8
Spinach,—Yin Tsoi ... ... ,,	5	4	
Tomatoes,—Fan Ke ... ... ,,	8	7	7
Taro,—Wu Tau ... ... ,,	5	6	
Turnips, Pamd, (Long),—Lo Pak ,,	6	4	
Vegetable Marrow,—Tsit Kwa... ,,	3	4	...
Water Cress,—Sai Yeung Tsoi...	10	15	...
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E. D. C. WOLFE,
Captain Superintendent of Police.

Hongkong, July 18, 1923.

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NOTICE.

THE PUBLIC are hereby informed that Queen's Road East between Arsenal Street and Wanchai Road will be closed to motor traffic from TUESDAY, 17th inst. until further notice.

P. P. J. WODEHOUSE,
Acting Captain Superintendent of Police

Hongkong, July 16, 1923.

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MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

The Earl of Lucan described the efforts which are being made by the Post Office to find employment for ex-Service men, and the Honours (Prevention of Abuses) Bill passed through Committee without amendment.

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Croydon, said Major-General Sir W. S. Branckner, opening a new restaurant attached to the Croydon Aerodrome Hotel, would last as the chief London airport until we can raise sufficient money to build a roof over Waterloo Station and have an aerodrome in London.

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Damage amounting to over £100,000 was done by a fire at the woollen mills of Messrs C. & J. Hirst, Longwood, Huddersfield, on May 31. A huge quantity of new wool was destroyed, and owing to the fumes, the firemen had to wear gas masks. A fireman was slightly injured.

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Official intimation has been received that a large squadron of the United States Navy arrived in the Clyde on July 10, and will remain at anchorage off Greenock for ten days. The Fleet will be in command of Rear-Admiral Scales. A contingent of 170 midshipmen will be included from the Naval Academy at Annapolis.

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The *Times* announces that Sir Ambrose Poynter, Bart, elder son of the late Sir Edward Poynter, President of the Royal Academy, and first cousin of Mr. Baldwin, Prime Minister, died on May 31 in a nursing home in London. He had a serious breakdown from overwork last year, and had to go abroad for a complete rest.

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Viscount Ullswater, Chairman, Lord Mildmay of Flete, and Sir Evelyn Cecil, M.P., all Privy Councillors, have been appointed, following the recommendation of the Royal Commission on Honours, to serve for the period of the duration of the present Government as a Committee to report to report to the Prime Minister on the grant of honours.

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Lecturing on "Physiological Efficiency," Dr. Leonard Williams insisted that to a very great extent disease was preventive, and if they contracted illness it was their own fault, and they ought not to be pitied as victims but condemned as fools. The question of physiological fitness went back to diet. Man should partake of meagre fare, fresh air, and all kinds of raw foods and dairy products.

A declaration was made in the Chamber by M. Maunoury, the Minister of the Interior to the effect that the Government has received proof of the existence of an organisation covering the whole of France, and having for its aim the destruction of the existing regime.

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A despatch from Canada announces the death of Lord Aylmer, at the age of 81, who, like his father, was born and spent his life in the Dominion, where he owned considerable landed estate. He commanded the Canadian contingent at Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee.

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Jaora Gaol, in the Indore State, was the scene of a serious disturbance. A joint attack was planned by forty-five Bhils, hill tribesmen, serving sentences, and their friends outside. Military aid was summoned, and sixteen of the escaping prisoners were killed, and most of the others were wounded.

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The delegation from Vancouver Board of Trade were entertained to dinner in the City Chambers, Edinburgh,—Bailie White presiding in the absence of Lord Provost Hutchison. Among those present were the Magistrates and several Councillors, while the Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Landon was represented by Mr. H. G. Ward.

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A question of priority of claim of Air Service expenditure over expenditure on the proposed naval base at Singapore, in view of the national finances, was raised in the House of Lords by Viscount Wimborne, but the Marquis of Salisbury declared the Government's view that the establishment of the Singapore base is absolutely necessary.

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A strange aeroplane mishap occurred at Westbury, Wilts. An aeroplane from Salisbury with two occupants, when flying low, struck a chimney stack, practically demolishing it. The machine then crashed into a minehole belonging to the Westbury Ironworks Company and was almost submerged in seven feet of water. The aeroplane was wrecked, and the airmen, who were injured, were taken to hospital.

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A telegram from Santa Barbara, California, states that the death occurred of Mr. Richard Sykes, a native of Yorkshire, at the age of 84. Fifty years ago (Reuter's correspondent states) Mr. Sykes purchased a large tract of land in Africa for colonisation, and later acquired thousands of acres of farm lands in the United States. He was a graduate of Oxford University, and introduced Rugby football into the United States.

At the British Hospitals Association banquet, Sir William Clegg referred to the hospitals at Sheffield, in which suspicious cases of tuberculosis were treated, and announced that they were now convinced that if tuberculosis were taken in the incipient stage it could be cured.

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Under the sliding scale of the Midland Iron and Steel Wages Board, there will be an advance of 7½ per cent. in wages during July, as a result of the appreciation in selling prices. This will make ironworkers' wages 50 per cent. above the basis, the total increase this year being 10 per cent.

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Three Deputies—MM. Sagnier, Moutet, and Violette—were assaulted by "Camelots du Roi" (Royalists) when on their way to an Anti-Fascist meeting. M. Sagnier was tarred and made to swallow castor oil, and M. Violette was smeared with ink (says a *Central News* message from Paris.)

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"I have never written a biography myself," said Mr. Asquith, presiding at a lecture in London on "Biographers and Their Victims," and notwithstanding what Mr. Gardiner said, "I do not propose to write an autobigraphy. I leave that to other members of my family."

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According to a *Reuters'* message from Shanghai, a telegram from Changsha states that, owing to interference with the carrying of cargo at Wuling (Shantung) in connection with the anti-Japanese boycott, a Japanese gunboat landed a party, who were stoned by the Chinese. The party fired on the crowd, killing three persons and injuring six.

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Arrangements have been made by the Disposal and Liquidation Commission with Messrs. G. Cohen, Sons, and Co., and Sir W. G. Armstrong, Whitworth, and Co., Ltd., to sell the remaining stocks of locomotives and rolling-stock, railway material and equipment, plant and machinery, &c. It is expected that about £6,000,000 will be realised.

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The French Senate, sitting as High Court of Justice, met to begin the trial of M. Marcel Cachin and several other Communists, on charges of high treason. The House, however, by a majority of about 30, resolved that it was not competent to deal with the case. As soon as this decision was known M. Poincaré called a Cabinet meeting, and at its conclusion proceeded to the Elysée to place his resignation in the hands of the President of the Republic, who, however, declined to accept it.

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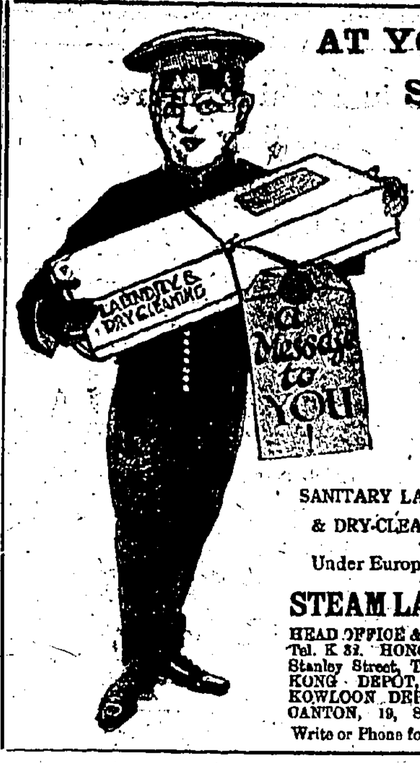

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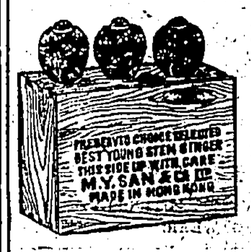

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The China Mail.
HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JULY 19, 1923.

CHINA COAST DANGERS.

Government officials are ever ponderous when answering questions. Either the reply is in the "affirmative" or it is in the "negative." Sometimes, however, it is neither, being disarmingly vague or neatly evasive. Under this last heading, if Reuter errs not, is the reply Lord Wolmer gave in the House of Commons yesterday to questions about the recent "Ranee" disaster off the Malayan coast. Mr. Shinwell (Labour) had suggested that very strong comments had been made all along the China Coast regarding the section of the Merchant Shipping Act relating to the complement of officers to be carried on ships. Lord Wolmer, Parliamentary Secretary of the Board of Trade, replied that the court of inquiry held in Singapore had found that all the requirements of the law had been carried out in this particular case. That may have been the answer Mr. Shinwell sought—the cable, after all, is only a summary—but it was not an answer to his remarks about the Shipping Act. Lord Wolmer carefully avoided the real issue—and we don't blame him, for the Government has a very grave, a very awkward charge to meet. This same Merchant Shipping Act which Mr. Shinwell mentioned has one section which amounts to a scandal. Under it every British ship "when going to sea from any place in the United Kingdom" must be provided with officers duly certificated according to the following scale:—"(a) In any case a duly certificated master; (b) If the ship is of one hundred tons burden or upwards with at least one officer besides the master holding a certificate not lower than that of . . . . only mate." Any mere landlubber can see what that means. Every ship over one hundred tons is fully officered if she carries one master and one mate. Apply this to the "Empress of Asia," as the Shanghai periodical, *Shanghai and Engineering* recently did and you will speedily realise just how absurd the section becomes. With reputable firms, it is harmless. These will always take care that their vessels are adequately manned. Not only have they their good names to keep, but they also have some thought for the men who serve them. But there are other firms who are only too ready to exploit this clause for their own mean ends. Our Shanghai contemporary recently stated that it could name six steamers trading out of Hongkong itself under the British flag whose personnel barely keeps their owners within the law but leaves the constant risk that the ships will prove a danger, not to themselves only, but to every other ship using the seas. Furthermore *Shipping and Engineering* recalled that the inquiry into this same "Ranee" disaster—the vessel collided with another—brought out the fact that the second ship had only two certificated officers. These were the master and the mate, and between them, they were responsible for the vessel's safety during the three days' run. Consequently the master had to be on the bridge practically the whole time; and it is clear, as the Shanghai paper points out, that the disaster, although directly caused through the master being asleep on the bridge, was really due to the inadequate provisions of the Shipping Act. Nor is this example the worst. Three days' run is comparatively short, even for coasting. There are ships which trade out of this port with officers who have to do twelve hours' bridge duty, quite apart from the countless other jobs they must carry out. This strain is bad enough when the weather is good, but when it turns bad the anxiety increases tenfold. Sailors are said to have a "sixth sense." Certainly they need one, for the perils of the sea are endless, even for the biggest ships. What makes the scandal worse, however is the fact that the ships which barely comply with the law are mostly very old—forty years and even more. Equally grave, too, is the fact that these undermanned vessels constitute a constant menace to other shipping, especially in the crowded China Coast waters, where the uncertain weather conditions are an added danger. One imagines these vessels in heavy rain, in squalls, and in thick fogs; rocks on one side, shoal water on the other; ships ahead, ships astern—and the man in control half dead with fatigue. One imagines all this, and knowing that it is often only too real, one echoes the famous verdict that the law is a ass, sometimes a very great ass indeed. Until the Merchant Shipping Act, passed in 1894 and amended in 1906, is recast to remedy this illogical section, the courts probing disasters which result from present unnerving conditions will not be worth the paper that calls them together.

Government Housing.

Government has pledged itself to the stupendous task of housing all its servants and has made a beginning as various "villas" and "quarters" (there is a subtle distincton which the socially careless will do well to observe) in different parts of the Colony prove. We do not know what is the mind of the Government regarding certain aspects of this particular question: whether it actually knows how many houses it has committed itself to build, where they are to be built, and how much it is estimated the cost of building, and furnishing, will amount to. We do not know even if it is guided, for instance, by the advice of its medical servants (servants is perhaps an unfortunate word when the people indicated live in "villas," so we use the word officers) as to the most suitable districts from a health point of view—Wanchai which is the happy hunting ground of the mosquito and the smell, as against Taipo which certain medicos would have us believe is malarious. If that advice has been tendered and acted upon, then, believing the evidence of our observations we come to the conclusion that Hongkong, as compared with Kowloon and the New Territories, has been considered the healthiest part of our possessions in this part of the world. Many of the Government "quarters" are on the Island, a few in Kowloon, whilst we are correct in saying that accommodation for members of the higher branch of the Civil Service, the "villa" section, is all on the Hongkong side, as witness the palatial and costly palaces at Leighton Hill, and the Peak. Journalists step in where experts fear to tread; and we cannot therefore help feeling that the Government would have been well advised in housing some of its higher officials on the other side of the harbour, and putting into the houses men who might be expected to take an interest in the life of the community. Had this been insisted upon at the very beginning it could then at first hand have had expert opinion and knowledge of the needs of the Peninsula and saved several of its officials much valuable time in answering letters that seek and urge reform and improvement. It is not too late to amend a matter which excites class comment.

Dickens' Characters.

Why have the figments of Dickens' imagination not only won their place in the favour of the world, but retained it so long, and enlarged it with the passing of the years? What is the secret which makes their hold upon us so secure and general? Critics have called Dickens "sentimental"!—and true it is that much of his work is marred by sentiment. But if he were sentimental, he was also a master of sentiment. It has also been said that he could not "draw a gentleman." This may be true, although its truth or falsehood depends entirely upon the particular critics interpretation of that almost indefinable entity. It is certain, however, that few of his heroes or heroines can command much interest or sympathy. Many of his heroes are prigs and most of his heroines are exasperating combinations of prudery and "prettiness." It is the subsidiary characters who have created and who sustain appreciation. They have out-topped the structures they were originally designed merely to support. What is Little Nell compared to Mrs. Jarley? Who thinks of Nicholas Nickleby when Vincent Crummles takes the stage? Who can compare Martin Chuzzlewit to that "inspired optimist" Mark Tapley, or Ruth Pinch, to Mrs. Gamp? Where does Oliver Twist stand beside the "Artful Dodger," or David Copperfield beside the illustuous Micawber? It is in these supporting members of the cast, in their naturalness, their humour, and in their identity with the types we know and meet with every day that the secret of our love for Dickens lies. Mrs. Nickleby is a member of our household. Mrs. Jellyby lives next door. "Mr. F's Aunt" across the way; and the "vast substantial smile" of Mrs. Fezziwig has beamed its benison upon us many a time as we have turned the corner of the street. Mr. Turveydrop sits beside us on the ferry, we pass Mr. Richard Swiveller in the street and Mr. Gradgrind greets us with a lecture at the office. It is all through the teeming world that Dickens created. Glorified examples of the commonplace, exalted in their very mediocrity, alive with a naturalness that is so real as to seem paradoxically enough, almost caricature, these lesser, but over-mastering people of Dickens land carry conviction by their human weaknesses, and are become immortal by reason of the very mortality of which they are compact. We do not regard them as characters in fiction so much as fellow human beings. They are the men and women whom we know and meet set down by the magic of genius upon the printed page, with all the faults and virtues of their kind.

To-day's Poem.

(It's all in the State of Mind.)

If you think you are beaten, you are,
If you think you dare not, you don't.
If you'd like to win, but you think you can't
It's almost a cinch you won't.
If you think you'll lose, you've lost,
For out in the world you find
Success begins with a fellow's will,
It's all in the state of mind.

ANON.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised in The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

July 19.—Coronet Theatre; Irvin V. Willat in "Partners of the Tide."
July 19—World Theatre; Thomas Carrigan in "Checkers."
July 19.—Star Theatre; Nicola, the World's Greatest Magician and Illusionist.
July 21.—Star Theatre, The Great Nicola, 5 p.m. Matinee for children.
July 21.—Band Concert, Volunteer parade ground, 9.15 p.m.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

July 20.—Lammert Bros., 107, the Peak, furniture, 11 a.m.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Chinese Engineer's Institute will hold its fourteenth anniversary celebrations at the Ming Yuen Gardens on Sunday.

Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw & Co. advertise the sale of fountain pens and pencils, as well as writing pads, at extraordinarily cheap prizes. An inspection is invited.

While on board the s.s. "Wah Lee" in the harbour yesterday, a Chinese named Yui Hop-Kwai, living at No. 5, Mallory Street, was assaulted by six men who relieved him of $230.

A meeting was held in the Chinese Chamber of Commerce offices at 3.30 p.m. to-day to discuss further the participation of Chinese merchants in the British Empire Trade Exhibition to be held at Home next year.

One case of enteric (British), three small-pox, and one plague (Chinese) were notified in the returns for the 24 hours ending July 17. Yesterday's figures are one case of small-pox and one of enteric, both Chinese.

A small Chinese boy, in avoiding a motor car near the Polo ground at about 10.20 p.m., last night ran into motor-car No. 78 which was coming from the opposite direction. He was knocked down and taken to hospital.

As he was walking along Dock Street in Hunghom after work in the Kowloon Docks a Chinese boiler-maker, 32 years of age, was struck by a piece of rock which is stated to have been projected from the blasting operations inside the Dock. He was conveyed to hospital by motor ambulance but died before reaching there.

CHINESE FOOTBALL TOUR.

DONATIONS RECEIVED.

The South China Athletic Association acknowledges with thanks the following further donations to the above fund:—

Mr. H. M. H. Nemazee	$ 250.00
The Chinese Recreation Club	250.00
Mr. Chang Kiam Hoe	150.00
Mr. Li Hee San	100.00
Messrs. The Wing On and Company, Limited	100.00
Mr. Chan Lui Chiu	50.00
" Leung Iu-hing	50.00
" Lam Kau Mau	30.00
" U Iu-sheung	25.00
" U Siu-sheung	25.00
" Ho Yui Heung	20.00
" Wong Tsz Shun	20.00
Messrs. Pak Cheong Tong	20.00
" Pak Tai Company	10.00
Mr. Lau Ping Kong	15.00
" K. S. Parvi	10.00
" Cheung Wing Kue	10.00
" W. A. Nowers	10.00
" H. K. Prosser	10.00
" O. W. Darch	10.00
" Li Mui Cheung	10.00
" Ng Tsz Mee	10.00
" Wong Ching U	10.00
" Lui Yuk Sheung	5.00
" Yu Chan	5.00
" H.A.P.	5.00
" L.M.N.	5.00
Messrs. Sze Tai Company	10.00
	$ 1,225.00
Previously acknowledged	1,440.00
Total	$ 2,665.00

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Messrs. S. Moutrie & Co., Ltd. announce a 15 per cent. discount for cash to buyers of their "Red Seal" records.

The Shanghai Chinese Chamber of Commerce has issued a circular telegram throughout the country protesting against the proposal of foreign intervention on the railways, according to a message to the *Daily Bulletin*.

Advice has been received from Kingston, Jamaica, that Mr. Albert Chang, a Hongkong man who has lived in Jamaica for a number of years, has been appointed managing director of the Gaiety Theatre Co., Ltd., a most up-to-date place of entertainment replete with every modern innovation.

In connection with the invitations issued to inspect the s.s. "Sarpedon" on August 6th next, it is announced that the King's Regimental band will discourse music. As the "Sarpedon" was built at, and is owned in Liverpool, and the King's is of course a Liverpool Regiment, the incidence is a most happy one.

A *Daily Bulletin* despatch, dated Peking July 18, reads: The Government, yesterday, considered the payment of the Spanish portion of the Boxer Indemnity. Last September, Spain presented a Note to China pointing out that payment in notes involved considerable loss, and later Spain again drew the attention of the Chinese Government to the matter. The latter again referred the matter to the Finance Ministry.

In the Marine Court, this morning, before Commander Beckwith R.N., Ho Kam-shang, master of the steam launch "Wing Fuk," was fined $20 for failing to observe the "rule of the road" at 11.20 a.m., on July 12 when cruising in the harbour. Defendant's excuse was that he was forced to take the wrong course owing to a sailing junk ahead of him. Acting Lance-Sergeant A.II Andrew Wright stated that defendant had continued on the wrong course for 300 yards in the track of all steamers coming eastward on their proper course.

The regular summer meeting of the South China Branch of the China Medical Missionary Association was held on July 12, 13 and 14. The disturbed state of the country prevented a large attendance, says the *Canton Daily News*. Those present at the meetings included: Drs. W. W. Cadbury, J. Kirk, C. A. Hayes, M. Wong, E. Wallace, J. M. Wright, J. C. Thomson, C. C. Selden, J. L. Harvey, F. Oldt, J. A. Hofmann, Dr. Nottage, W. G. Reynolds, W. H. Dobson, P. J. Todd and J. O. Thomson active members and Drs. S. R. Lee, K. T. Chau, O. M. Chau, U. K. Chan, P. C. Chan, S. Y. Lau and Tang.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received from the Manila Observatory by the local American Consulate General.

12 noon July 18.

1. Cyclone or typhoon E. of southern Luzon moving W. N. W. or N. W.
2. Cyclone or typhoon near or over the Carolines developing.

"THE YELLOW DRAGON."

RECENT QUEEN'S COLLEGE HAPPENINGS.

"Last month we reviewed "The Yellow Dragon" in what was described as "Verse"! We honestly tried to

" . . . fling the Golden Dragon out
With crackle and acclaim and shout."

If angry glances go for anything, and the anonymous screeds we have received—one was signed "An admirer of Housman, Binyon, Abercrombie, Watson, Noyes, Sassoon, Davies, &c, &c, &c," and threatened us with dire penalties did we dare to persevere in what we thought was a heaven-sent gift, our effort was not appreciated. Gone is our rhyming-dictionary, the flowing bow and velvet jacket we had bought; likewise the hair-restorer which was to sprout forth into black leonine locks which we meant to toss about our shapely head, and back we come to plain "proase" and an attempt to write "summat". The July number is well up to its predecessors. Every page of it is interesting. The extracts under "In English Dress" we are clipping and hope, if there is room, to reprint it on our book page in Saturday's issue. "Famous Chinese Men-of-Letters" written by Mr. S. S. Tang will also be clipped for our "Commonplace book," and we shall look forward to further essays by Mr. Tang. The School and other notes are as usual brightly written. We must quote the conversation between the two padres of the staff, one of whom has "lost" his portmanteau.

1st. Padre: "I have lost my portmanteau."
2nd. " "I pity your grief"
1st. " "All my sermons are in it.
2nd. " "I pity the thief."

Essays on 'A trip to Japan,' and "Dragon Boat Day" help to make the July number the bright thing it is. The next issue will be the September one. This seems to give us time to take a Correspondence School course on "How to write poetry."

PROPERTY BOOM.

"LAND SHARKS'" METHODS.

The unprecedented boom in property values in the Colony is attributed, in official circles, to the influx of rich Chinese refugees from the disturbed districts in China. "Many of these refugees," a *China Mail* reporter was told this morning, "are content to get a return of only 2 per cent. on their money in safe investments in landed property under British protection. It is of course impossible for land officers to keep track of all the ramifications in connection with the transfer of properties. It is well-known, however, that many people here are sitting back and making easy money, but the Land Office is solely concerned with collecting its dues on the declared purchase price at the time the transfer is made." Some option holders, it was learnt, protect themselves by registering their documents with the Land Office, so that when the final transfer is made a search fee of one dollar enables any member of the public to trace the deal through all its varied phases. In some cases, however, the earners of easy money prefer to remain in the background, thereby saving an insignificant fee but concealing from the public the amount they have made over a deal which in no way benefits the majority of the residents here. These individuals are born land-sharks and land-sharks they will remain until the present land regulations are amended.

SOCRATIC COMMENTS.

TO-DAY'S POLICE COURT CASES.

Describing a pickpocket incident, Sub-Inspector Peter Grant, in Mr. Melbourne's court this morning, said that the accused was caught red-handed by a detective whereupon he threw the purse on the ground and was then arrested. His Worship remarked "Didn't have time to have a drink, apparently."

"THEY LOVE IT."

The following conversation took place in Mr. Melbourne's court this morning when Mr. C. A. S. Russ applied for a date to be fixed in a case in which he had been instructed to defend. His Worship suggested a certain afternoon mentioning that only one case was down for that time, it being one of intimidation in which Mr. Lo and Mr. MacCallum were engaged His Worship expressed an opinion that he thought the case would not last long and asked Mr. Russ if he would care to follow on. Mr. Russ replied "If Mr. Lo and Mr. MacCallum are going to argue an intimidation case, it will take some time."

Mr. Melbourne made a remark which was not audible to the reporters and Mr. Russ smilingly ventured "They do; they love it."

BETTER RACING.

IS THE GATE BETTER THAN THE FLAG?

[By Argus.]

A correspondent, under the *nom de plume* of "Owner & Jockey," in last night issue of the *China Mail*, erroneously attributes to me the remarks expressed by racing men with whom I had discussed the possibilities of a starting gate being used in preference to the flag at local meetings. If "Owner and Jockey" will carefully read the article appearing under the caption of "The Local Turf" in Tuesday's *China Mail* he must realize that he is "barking up the wrong tree."

On July 10, in the course of an article entitled "A Plea for the Starter," I wrote:

A good deal of comment was heard with regard to the "bad start" in the 7th event over the six furlongs' course. (The "B" Class referred to by "Owner and Jockey.") Colonel Brutton would be the first to admit that it was a bad start, but critics should remember the conditions.

Later in the article appear these lines:

Even when a starter does manage to persuade jockeys to bring their mounts up at a walk—which never once happened on Saturday—nine times out of ten one or two of the field will be quicker away and the cry goes up "what a rotten start!" With the exception of race 7, the starting in the short distance races, on Saturday was no worse than on other courses in China in similar events.

If the starting-gate were given a trial, better results might possibly be obtained provided our local riders could spare the time for schooling ponies at the gate. Failing the gate, starters will have to display more patience and insist on "flying starts" being tabooed—they are not allowed in accordance with the Hongkong Jockey Club Rules of Racing.

With reference to the gate I wrote:

Mr. H. E. Morriss has presented a starting gate to the Kiangwan Race Club in Shanghai and should it prove successful there, it may be generally adopted. Its installation is sure to meet with opposition in certain quarters. Even in England opinion is still divided as to its superiority to the flag, but certainly it deserves a trial. Colonel Hall Brutton told me that he was in favour of the gate being given a trial and the only adverse comment I have ever heard is that "China ponies won't face it." I fail to see why not—at any rate mafoos could hold the unruly ones at the gate so that all *could* be in line when the barrier flew up. Even with a gate, many jockeys, amateur and professional, will get a "flying start" on occasion, but a gate will prevent, to a certain extent, the anathema too often unjustly directed at the man "with the flag" who here and in China is giving his services voluntarily so that the majority can enjoy a day's racing.

The public shall judge whether, on the above expression of opinion, I can be fairly charged with "an effort to take *all* the blame off the starter."

The correspondent's argument that the use of a gate would be found "impracticable on such a small course," is far from convincing. Experience has shown that the narrower the course the more difficult are the duties of the man with the flag. The statement, "you will find that 99 per cent. of the owners and jockeys still favour the flag," carries us nowhere until we are aware how many of said 99 per cent. have ever raced under both systems and especially how many local riders have ever started from the gate.

I can assure "Owner and Jockey" that improvement of the "Pari-mutuel" supervision shall have my attention when I consider it needs it. I consider that those who supervise the (mis-called) "pari-mutuel" at present are doing very creditable work under most adverse circumstances. Until the members insist on the installation of an up-to-date totalisator, they deserve the existing inconvenience in purchasing tickets and delay in receiving. The supervisors are powerless to remedy these evils.

PRAYA SHOOTING.

THE WOUNDED MAN'S CONDITION.

The condition of Mr. Shum Tsze-leung, the superintendent of the Chinese Telegraphs in Hongkong, who was wounded as he left his office on Monday afternoon, "is quite satisfactory," according to Dr. C. W. McKenny. Dr. McKenny thinks he will recover. Mr. Shum underwent one operation when he entered the hospital but the bullet was not extracted as it was in a difficult position. "However," Dr. McKenny added, "it was not causing any danger or symptoms and Mr. Shum was X-rayed yesterday afternoon with a view to another attempt being made to extract the bullet."

COMMERCIAL.

HONGKONG NOTES AND COMMENT.

HOPEFUL PIECEGOODS OUTLOOK.

In the opinion of several piecegoods brokers and two of the leading Chinese dealers who were seen to-day, Hongkong's piecegoods market has, at present, a very hopeful outlook with promising indications of further improvement. Business is being done in woollens which have either already arrived or are booked for this fall. As the stocks carried forward from last season are small, most of the lots, especially of the standard grades, command fair demand. It is calculated that dealers who have now goods for the coming cold season will make, on an average, a profit of 15 per cent. while some who have been particularly judicious can count on 20 per cent. if not more. One make of flannel handled by an old established importer reported to have cost the dealers 88 cents per yard, is now being sold at $1.00 a yard while $1.02 has been paid for smaller lots. Another grade of woollens, also imported by the same firm, at a reported cost of $3.65 per yard is being bought at $4.40 with holders asking up to $4.50. It is stated that 400 cases of rough navy-blue serge are to arrive, costing 90 cents per yard. The majority of this class of goods are said to have been sold although the goods are only en route and further orders for about 200 cases have been booked. Dealers were selling at $1.00 and are now demanding a slightly higher price.

COTTONS INDENTS.

In spite of unpromising conditions when business commenced in booking orders for cotton goods for next spring, rapid improvement has set in and it is now stated that the orders up to the present exceed the orders for the corresponding period last year by over 30 per cent. Prices are about the same as last year. Open and figure designs similar to those on Chinese silks made in Shanghai are the favourites in fancies in which a large volume of business has been done.

METALS MARKET.

An all-round tightening in prices has taken place in the local metals market. Stock-holders are quoting better prices and feel inclined to wait as they believe higher prices will be quoted by European manufacturers. Reports received state that owing to the Ruhr difficulties, manufacturers are restricting production while certain raw materials are almost unprocurable owing to the political trouble.

Pig Lead.—Sales are reported at $13.20 per picul for spot goods and dealers are now asking $13.80 as there seems to be a fair demand.

Steel Joists.—Bookings have been recorded in this class of hardware at $5.40 per picul c.i.f. Hongkong and ex-godown, basis sizes.

Zinc Plates. — Importers seem loath to quote with any degree of risk as all articles which include zinc in its components are soaring. Dealers, however, were keen to buy and indents were booked at £46 per ton f.o.b. European port.

Zinc Sheets.— Small bookings have been made at $23 per picul c.i.f. Hongkong.

AUSTRALIAN TRADE.

Messrs. Arkell & Douglas in their last report, write :—

Flour.—Orders were fairly plentiful during May, and millers generally have been working full time. A fair volume of business was done during the early part of May to Java and South Africa for shipment during June and July, but at prices which leave millers very little profit. The export demand has since eased considerably, and with the anticipated early slackening off in the demand for offals we expect higher prices for flour.

We quote to-day Best Roller Flour f.o.b. :—Sacks, each 150 lbs., 10/3 per cental; Bags, each 98 lbs., 10/7½ per cental; Bags, each 49 lbs., 11/3 per cental.

Leather.—Trade in leather, both for local use and for export, has brightened up during the past month or so, and some good orders have been booked for the East in all lines, there being a good demand for sole leather sides, shoulders and bellies. Prices have not changed in any great degree since our last issue.

Dried Fruits.—The feature of this market has been the demand from U.K. and the Continent, and sellers, both Association and outsiders, have disposed of large quantities to these markets at fairly high rates.

The demand from South Africa has been fair, but buyers' ideas of prices are lower than sellers.

Prices are : 3 Crown Currants, 5½d. per lb. f.o.b.; 3 Crown Sultanas, 10½d. per lb. f.o.b.; 5 Crown Lexias, 8d. per lb. f.o.b.

Butter in Pats.—This style of pack is specially sought after by the South African trade, and is quoted by the makers of "Mayblossom" and "Atlas" brands as under :—

Packed 52 or 54 1-lb. pats to a case, 2/2 per lb. f.o.b.

Marine Insurance.—There is no change to report, and the following rates still rule. Rates quoted are f.p.a. on General Cargo, and for w.p.a. rates add 2/6 per cent. for General Cargo, and 7/6 per cent. for tallow. All above rates are subject to a discount of 15 per cent.

Hongkong and Manila, 12/6 per cent.; Shanghai, direct steamer 15/- per cent.; Shanghai, transhipping at Hongkong 17/6 per cent.

LIVERPOOL EXPORTS.

The following details of cotton goods entered for export from the port of Liverpool during the week ending June 1 have been extracted from the "Liverpool Customs Bill of Entry" :—

(000's omitted)

	—Piece Goods—		
	Plain. Sq. Yards.	Dyed, Coloured, and Printed. Sq. Yards.	Cotton Yarn. lb.
HONGKONG	315	169	10
Bombay	1,158	892	124
Calcutta	9,408	1,607	60
Karachi	1,040	1,667	10
Ceylon	420	161	—
Rangoon	568	436	6
Straits Settlements	900	440	5
Shanghai	1,666	758	—
Japan	183	79	6
Africa, W.C.	974	1,645	13
Egypt	1,496	1,252	91
Turkey	1,031	1,607	45
Australia and N.Z.	[illegible]	1,490	21
Argentine	1,499	1,106	17
U.S.A.	1,245	866	69
Total all markets	84,[illegible]	19,899	914
Total previous week	85,014	17,928	770
Total month of April (all ports)	204,314	113,064	10,995

CORRESPONDENCE.

RACING REFORMS.

[*To the Editor of the "China Mail."*]

Sir,—Your correspondent "Owner and Jockey," in tilting against me in last night's issue of the *China Mail*,—though I was not his man—made several remarks which may yet result in steps being taken to ensure better racing in Hongkong. Apparently your correspondent, when he sat down to write his letter, set out to prove that the Starter was chiefly to blame for so many indifferent starts; yet I find him writing that he always gets a fair start with the present Starter. This statement can only mean one of two things viz.: either the Starter has shown favour to "Owner and Jockey" or "Owner and Jockey" has never ridden in a race in which the present Starter has failed to get the field away on even terms. Later I read: "It is only ridiculing the standard of Hongkong Racing to put *all* (italics my own) the cause of a bad start down to the jockeys, as a good starter is able to handle a field of beginners much more easily than a field of our 'Whilly' friends who come down from Shanghai "to beat us at the start." No attempt has ever been made in the *China Mail* either by myself or the racing men interviewed by me to put *all* the blame on the riders. To assert that a field of beginners is easier to handle than a field of experienced race-riders is sheer nonsense. I thoroughly endorse the opinion of the "Veteran," whom I interviewed that more firmness on the starter's part and the observance of the rules of the game by riders would go a long way to ameliorate things. Finally your correspondent raises the question of improving "the "Pari-mutuel" supervision. No such system as the pari-mutuel is in vogue on the Hongkong Course—the system of betting is a very poor apology for the totalisator. The system—not the supervision—needs improvement. On the smallest gymkhana course in the Federated Malay States, twenty years ago, a handworked totalisator board was in use, so that the punter could see how the betting was going. The cost, I believe, was $800. Such a machine could be made locally and might well be installed until the members of the Hongkong Turf Club decide to purchase one of the latest machines.

Yours, etc.,

ARGUS.

Hongkong, July 19.

A BRIBE?

"In Canton, if a man is arrested in the streets, he can regain his liberty by offering a bribe of a few ten cents to the policeman" said a prisoner in Mr. Melbourne's court this morning. Accused was charged with offering a bribe to a district watchman, and was endeavouring to explain an alleged offer of $1 to the officer.

PHILIPPINES CABINET.

REASONS FOR MINISTERS RESIGNING.

MANILA, July 18.

The entire Filipino Cabinet and members of the Council of State resigned last night at 11.30, following differences over the authority of the Governor-General in matters relating to internal government.

The resignations have been accepted.

REASONS GIVEN.

LATER.

The Cabinet, in presenting their concerted resignations to the Governor-General, said:—

"We have observed for some time past that it is your policy and desire as Governor-General to intervene in and control even the smallest details in the affairs of our Government both insular and local in utter disregard of the authority and responsibility of the department heads and the other officials concerned. Having adopted this course of conduct in your relations with the executive departments and other officers, we beg, with the deepest regret, to frankly state that we are unable to assume responsibility with you in the execution of this policy, and, therefore, tender our resignations."

Governor-General Wood, in replying, said in part as follows:—

"Your plans have been deliberately made, and your action is in the character of a challenge and a threat, which I cannot ignore. Under the circumstances, there is no alternative left to me but to accept your resignations as presented."

With the acceptance of the resignations of the members of the Cabinet the Under-Secretaries of the department automatically become Acting Secretaries *ad interim*.—Courtesy *Daily Bulletin*.

CHINA'S FINANCES.

MR. WANG KO-MIN URGED TO REFUSE PORTFOLIO.

PEKING, July 18.

Mr. Wang Ko-min did not proceed to Loyang, but returned from Paotingfu to Peking, arriving last night.

URGE NON-ACCEPTANCE.

LATER.

At a meeting of the directors of the Bank of China, to-day, it was unanimously decided to urge Mr. Wang Ko-min not to accept the post of Finance Minister.

It was argued that although Mr. Wang Ko-min would have to sever his connection with the Bank if he accepted the portfolio, yet it would involve the Bank in the suspicion that it was utilising its resources to assist Mr. Wang Ko-min, thus affecting the Bank's credit.

Wang Ko-min was eventually persuaded to adopted a deputation of three directors to interview Mr. Kao Ling-wei in order to explain the Bank's reasons for urging Mr. Wang Ko-min to refuse the Cabinet position.—Courtesy *Daily Bulletin*.

CHINA'S NORTH-WEST.

NEW SYSTEM OF CONTROL INAUGURATED.

PEKING, July 18.

Regulations have been issued regarding the authority and system of control of the Tupan of the North-Western Region.

The Inspector-General of the Army, namely, Feng Yu-hsiang, is in charge of the post, having full administrative and military responsibility in the region, comprising Inner and Outer Mongolia and Sinkiang.

His headquarters are temporarily at Peking, but in case of necessity the office can be stationed anywhere in that area.

In the event of emergency, the Tupan has the right to request the Government to appoint Pacification Commissioners there :— Courtesy *Daily Bulletin*.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. S. G. Horniblow, of the *Hongkong Daily Press* staff, is a patient in the French Hospital at Causeway Bay.

The interesting news is to hand that the knighthood of the Nordstjerna Order has been conferred upon Major P.W.D. Olivecrona, Engineer-in-Chief to the Conservancy works of Kwang Tung. The many friends of the Major will be glad to have this news and will doubtless lose no time in sending him their congratulations.

Dr. D. Kumarasamy Pillai, M.B., B.S., House Surgeon at the Government Civil Hospital, has been granted a fellowship by the Rockefeller Foundation of New York for the study of Obstetrics and Gynaecology in the United Kingdom and America for a period of 12 months, and will be leaving Hongkong on Wednesday, July 25th, en route to Dublin.

CORPORAL'S BEER.

GUARD ROOM DISCOVERY.

NEW USE FOR WATERBOTTLES.

Corporal George Henry Hawk, of the King's Regiment, was court-martialled at Murray Barrack this morning for allowing beer to be in the guard room at 9.30 p.m. and for obtaining beer from the Corporal's Room while in command of the regimental quarter guard.

Major A. L. Cruickshank D.S.O., R.G.A., presided over the Court, the other members of which were Captain R. Newton King, of the Bombay Grenadiers, and Lieut. G. J. Jones, of the King's. Lieut. J. W. Thompson prosecuted and the accused, who pleaded not guilty, was represented by Lieut. C. P. Moore M. C.

The evidence showed that when Regimental Provost Sergeant Fowler strolled into the guard room at about 9.30 p.m. on June 30 he saw a basin of beer on the table. He asked Corporal Hawk, who was in charge of the guard, what it was doing there and got no reply. Later on he looked through the guard room window and saw the Corporal take a swig out of the basin and then hand it to a sentry, who also had a drink. A Military Policeman told the sergeant that he had seen the Corporal take a waterbottle from behind some shovels in the guard room and on searching there the Sergeant found two waterbottles full of beer in a whitewash bucket. He then took charge of the beer and placed the Corporal under arrest. Drummer Wilkinson testified to having been sent over with two waterbottles to the Corporals' Room where in accordance with Corporal Hawk's instructions, he gave them to Corporal Kite. Afterwards Corporal Kite handed them back full and he took them to Corrporal Hawk.

Lt. Moore argued for the defence that the second charge of obtaining beer was entirely unnecessary and further more had not been proved by the evidence. The Court, however, held the accused guilty and closed the proceedings to consider its sentence.

The same Court tried Corporal Albert Charles Kite on charges of supplying the beer to the guard room, walking out with a private and being improperly dressed. Lieut. C. J. Bailey, M.M. appeared for the defence.

The same witnesses were heard in connection with the supplying of the beer and R. S. M. Mitchell gave evidence on the other charges. He said that on June 30 at about 2.15 p.m. he was coming along Queen's Road in a ricksha when he saw Corporal Kite talking to two privates outside the Soldiers' Club. The Corporal was improperly dressed—he was wearing shorts and puttees and had neither a waist belt nor a regimental cane. He put Corporal Kite under open arrest and ordered him to return to his barracks.

THE WORLD THEATRE.

CHECKERS.

William Fox presents Thomas Carrigan, the sensational stage success in "Checkers," a special sporting Drama in 7 parts. It is a story of a man's fortune thrown away on betting against a favourite horse, which for a time was thought lost in a railway accident but afterwards rescued and brought safely to its stable, eventually winning the race, notwithstanding the attempted conspiracy to disable its famous jockey, whose place was taken by the plucky girl Alva, who came in as a heroic winner. The fighting between the two rivals, Arthur and Kendall, regarding Alva and Pret is a thrilling incident which it is difficult to describe. Finally all become happy save the one who lost his fortune.

HANGED ON PRAYA.

NICOLA'S AMAZING STUNT.

Nicola's promise to allow himself to be hanged on the Praya at one o'clock to-day drew to the neighbourhood of Blake Pier a crowd nearly as big as the one that went there to see the landing of the Prince of Wales last year.

It was generally expected that the magician would suspend himself from the new "P. and O. building but he borrowed a fire escape and used that. Promptly at one o'clock Nicola took off his coat and his collar and tie and two stalwart firemen, with a great display of vim, strapped him tightly into a straitjacket with his arms crossed in front of his body.

Hanging head downwards, Nicola was then hauled up by the ankles to a height of about 30 feet and held there. As he worked his way furiously with his elbows and contorted his body great drops of perspiration fell on to the canvas which, in case of accidents, was stretched out below him, and for some time he seemed to make no progress. Then he managed somehow or other to get his arms over his head and inside of two minutes from the time he was hoisted up he was bowing his acknowledgments to the cheering crowd.

It must have been a very trying ordeal, even for a magician. "I must say," confessed one man as he walked away after watching Nicola's amazing stunt, "that this weather I'd just as soon push a pen around as do that sort of thing. If I'd been hoisted up there for two minutes, even without a straitjacket, they could have left me there for the day for all the interest I'd have taken about coming down again."

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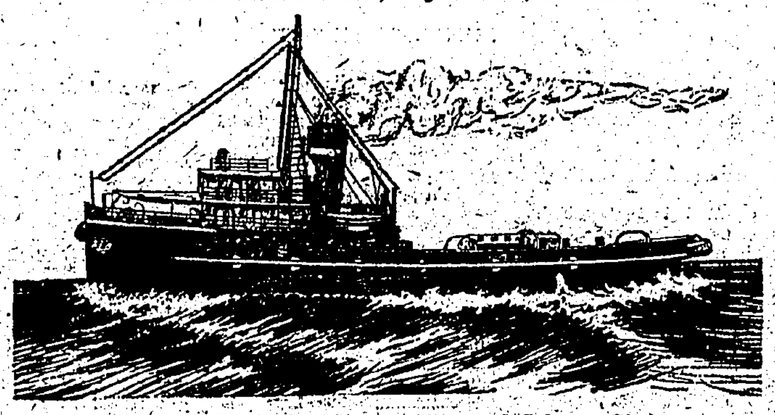

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"KASHMIR"	8,841	22nd Aug.	MARSEILLES, Gib., L'don & A'werp.
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"MACEDONIA"	11,089	7th Sept.	B'bay, M'lles, Gib. L'don, & A'werp.
"DONGOLA"	8,056	11st Sept.	MARSEILLES, Gib. L'don & A'werp.
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CAREER OF "ENEVER THE ELUSIVE."

Not a week passes but there is brought to light in our police-courts the amazing exploits of a rogue who for years has preyed on the public, only to be caught at last in the meshes of the law and be sentenced to a just punishment which frees the world, at least for a time, of his machinations, writes *Reynolds Newspaper*.

Such a man is Edwin Alexander Enever, who has just been sentenced at the Old Bailey to three years' penal servitude, and whom the Common Sergeant, Sir Henry Dickens, K.C., described as a "dangerous man." This description is none too severe for judged by his record, Enever has had one of the most remarkable careers in the annals of crime—a career marked throughout by a series of frauds, the audacity of which held spellbound those who listened to the case in which he was involved and which was responsible for his sentence.

Enever is described by one who knew him—to his cost—as a prince in the world of finance. Anything he put his hand to turned into money in the twinkling of an eye. He seemed to have a capacity for obtaining money from people under some pretence or other in a manner almost superhuman. Almost every week he had a scheme to unfold by which anybody taking shares would be assured of an income for life, and so convincing was he in the arguments he put forward, so plausible was he with his tongue, that very few people whom he approached for the first time ever failed to fall in with his suggestions.

Naturally enough, many of Enever's victims were women, and most of them wealthy widows, who were charmed to meet a keen business man who could guarantee to invest their money "carefully" for them now that their husbands were dead and there was no one left to keep a hand on the money strings. Under promise of all sorts of rosy dividends to be paid out in due course, this wily rogue managed to get advances of capital to pay for "working expenses, etc." The "etc." covered a multitude of things, but principally a sumptuous flat in Knightsbridge, where Enever entertained his friends to convivial evenings, and between times met in consultation with fellow rogues to discuss new schemes for defrauding the public.

But not all his victims were foolish women, always ready to lend an ear to suave manners of an accomplished "ladykiller." Young married men who had been demobilised from the Army with their gratuities burning a hole in their pockets, and anxious to invest these small sums in something which would provide a little income for later on, proved ideal "clients" on which to foist his schemes, and many a young man had been driven nearly to starvation through the malefactions of this rogue. Retired regular officers, too, came under Enever's sway, and more than one gallant warrior "axed" from the Service and on look-out for a job, was persuaded to take a post offered on condition that he *invested some money first*. And who could blame these men?

TRAP FOR FLATS.

Nothing could be more suitable to Enever than the Far East, for he know India well, and had had business relations with China and other Far Eastern countries. China's "infinite resources" provided a splendid theme to lure his dupes, and the tales Enever told of the possibilities of jobs out there were so convincing that it needed little persuasion on his part for those who fell to the bait of his advertisement to fall in with his suggestions. Salaries for the commencement were to be £1,000 a year, plus commission.

The company which issued the advertisement, and of which Enever was the master mind was known as Humphrey and Denman (Ltd.), and the offices were at a building known as China House, Knightsbridge. The offices themselves were the last word in up-to-dateness, and had all modern conveniences. Certainly any would-be clients would be impressed immediately on entering the place; but their opinion would have changed considerably had they known that on a floor above there existed one of the most palatial flats in the West End—a veritable dream of a place, which contained rare antique furniture, valuable china and procelain, and costly jewellery, and that in this miniature "palace" Enever lived and entertained.

There are stories being told of nightly parties where the wine flowed freely, of large consignments of champagne and choice viands from leading West End Stores being brought daily in large quantities. And these were all bought with the money provided for "working expenses."

MONOCLED ROGUE.

Always smartly dressed, Enever looked his part. He wore a monocle as only an expert can, and he carried himself with the bearing which indicated that he had come of good stock. His conversation was brilliant—there was hardly a subject which he could not discuss informatively, and as an after-dinner companion he was considered an ideal of ideals.

From some of those whom he had duped Enever earned the title of "Enever the Elusive"—a name aptly chosen for the simple reason that by a cleverly devised system of concealed doors and back staircases he was able to leave the building at Knightsbridge at a moment's notice, thus eluding any client who might call to have an unpleasant chat with the financier. It is said that his staff never knew his movements—even in the office, or the exact details of his schemes.

Some of them knew, no doubt, that many a poor young ex-officer who had joined the "firm" was sent on a wild goose chase to some far-off place in China in connection with Enever's "gold mines," only to find themselves stranded on arrival. One officer, who had held a very high command in the Army—he was in fact a lieutenant-general—went to China under Enever's "scheme" and told the story of his journey in the courts some months ago, when Enever first came under the notice of the police.

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He has many curious anecdotes to tell of well-known people. In the East it is the custom to bathe by ladling water over yourself out of a huge jar, and sometimes people get bodily into the jar. Sir Harry Keppel did so.

He was very short, and his great age, at that time exceeding ninety years, had further reduced him in stature. He was almost completely immersed, and as the jar was narrow he could not get out. When eventually his servant discovered his plight the poor admiral was exhausted and cold.

CHAIRS CHAINED TO WALL.

A touch of cynicism is sometimes observable in these genial memories:

When in Guayaquil I was waiting to be seen by a doctor, and noticing that all the chairs in his room were chained to the wall, I smiled. Some months later I returned to London, and having occasion to use the nail scissors at my club—quite a good one, it has always reckoned to be—I found to my amazement that they, too, were made fast with a chain. I did not smile.

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Altogether this is a book full of genial anecdotes and intimate glimpses of the social world.

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DEPARTURES.

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The P. & O. s.s. "Sardinia" arrived at Marseilles at 6 a.m. on July 18.

The B. L. s.s. "Benlawers" from Leith, Middlesbro' and London left Singapore for this port on July 14 and may be expected to arrive here to-morrow.

The O.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" arrived at Kobe on July 17 at 5.30 p.m. left Kobe on July 18 noon and is due at Yokohama to-morrow at 6 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Kidderpore" left Nagasaki for this port on July 15 at 7 p.m. and is due here to-morrow at about p.m.

The B. F. s.s. "Yangtsze" from Liverpool left Singapore on July 16 for this port and is due here on July 21.

The B. F. s.s. "Pyrrhus" left Liverpool on June 23 for Hongkong, Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama and is due here on or about July 25.

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The B. F. s.s. "Patroclus" left Liverpool on July 7 for Singapore, Hongkong, Shanghai, Taku and Dalny and is due here on or about August 3.

RUDE OF HIM.

The Rev. Mr. Johnston thought it was his duty to call on Mrs. Simpkins and condole with her on the loss of her husband. When he arrived at the house he found the poor woman in tears, and he said kindly:—

"My dear lady, try not to allow your grief to overcome you. Remember, your husband is far happier in the other world."

"P-perhaps he is," sobbed the widow. "B-but I think you are very rude to say so!"

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SANDAKAN via MANILA	MAUSANG	Fri., 20th July, 2 p.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	WAISHING	Tues., 24th July, Noon.
BANGKOK via SWATOW	CHAKSANG	Tues., 24th July, 2 p.m.
TIENTSIN	CHIPSHING	Sun., 29th July, Noon.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	TUNGSHING	Tues., 30th July, Noon.
KOBE via MOJI	LAISANG	Wed., 1st Aug., Noon.
KOBE via MOJI	FOOKSANG	Mon., 6th Aug, 7 a.m.
BANGKOK via HOIHOW	CHUNSANG	Sat., 7th Aug, 8 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	HOSANG	Sat., 11th Aug, 3 p.m.

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There is a special reason why Mr. Rudyard Kipling should have written the story of the "Irish Guards in the Great War." He could, indeed, write the story of any regiment better than any other living man; but in the Irish Guards his only son gave up his life, and one can see the father taking up his pious task, that the deeds of the men in whose ranks his boy had fought and fallen should be recorded, as he says, "soberly, and with what truth is possible."

He sees—none better—the liability to error. A battalion's field is bounded by its own vision. Witnesses die, or are dispersed; survivors confuse dates and places. But here is a book that will live—for it is a good and faithful book, written by a master hand.

LIES WITH A PURPOSE.

In some ways, it may be said to be the history of every regiment. It was not only the Irish Guards of whom this might be written:—

They lied persistently, and with intent, in their home letters, concerning their discomforts and exposure, and lent themselves to the impression, cultivated by some seductive newspapers, that the trenches were electrically lighted abodes of comfort and jollity, varied with concerts and sports.

And this is a reflection that any man who has gone through it all might make:—

Some say that, whatever future war may bring forth, never again can men be brought to endure what armed mankind faced in the trenches in those years. Certain it is that men, nowadays, thinking upon that past, marvel to themselves that they could by any means have overcome it at the time, or, later, have put it behind them. But the wonder above all wonders is that, while they lived that life, it seemed to them sane and normal, and they met it with even temper and cool heads.

This is not a volume of "purple patches." But when he sets himself to it, Kipling is able, with vivid phrases of nervous English, to bring before us a scene real and memorable:—

By night, fantastic traceries of crossing fire-lines ran along the shoulder of a ridge—shrapnel, bursting high, jetted a trail of swift sparks, as it might be steel striking flint; dropping flares outlined some tortured farmhouse among its willow-stumps, or the intolerable glare of a big shell framed itself behind a naked doorway; and coloured lights dyed the bellies of the low clouds till all sense of distance and direction was lost, and the bewildered troops stumbled and crawled from pave to pot-hole, treading upon their old dead.

Dawn brought dirty white desolation across yellow mud pitted with slate-coloured water-holes, and confused by senseless grey and black lines and curled tangles of wire.

There was nothing to see, except—almost pearl-coloured under their mud-dyed helmets—the tense, preoccupied faces of men moving with wide spaces between their platoons to water-floored cellars and shelters chillier even than the grave-like trenches they had left, always with the consciousness that they were watched, by invisible eyes which presently would choose certain of them to be killed.

Those who came through it say that the sense of this brooding death more affected every phase of life in the Salient than in any other portion of the great war-field.

MORE MULVANEYS.

When Mr. Kipling turns aside from the diaries and orderly narrative, he lauds them as first-class fighting men, with something in them of the Mulvaney of whom he wrote years ago, and who has become so real to us:—

The Celt's national poise and manner, his gift of courtesy and sympathy, and, above all, the curious and incommunicable humour of his outlook made it possible for him and his officers to consort together upon terms perhaps debarred to other races. When the men practised "crime" they were thorough and inventive in the act and unequalled in the defence. But the same spirit that prompted the large and imaginative sin and its unexpected excuse or justification (as, for example, that three gunners detected in removing a large cask of beer were but exercising their muscles in "rowling it a piece along the pavé") bred a cropful of forceful regimental characters. Many, very many, of these have perished and left no record save the echo of amazing or quaint sayings passed from mouth to mouth through the long years, or a blurred record of some desperately heroic deed, light-heartedly conceived and cunningly carried through its triumphant end and dismissed with a jest.

GRIM STORIES.

Here is a grimly humorous story of a little Welshman of the Welsh Fusiliers, who were up the line with the Irish Guards for a while under instruction:—

"And how often does one go over the top?" asked the Welshman. "I'll show you: come with me," replied the other Celt, and, moving to a gap in the parapet, lifted the Welshman in his arms that he might the better see what remained, hung up in German wire, of a private of some ancient fight—withered wreckage, perhaps, of Neuve Chapelle. "He went over wanst," said the Irishman.

Here is another of the same sort. It tells of a half-platoon, among whom a gas-shell dropped:—

Their platoon commander hurried to them, followed by the sergeant, calling out to know the extent of the damage. No one replied. The question was repeated. Then: "Speak up when the officer's askin'," cried the scandalised sergeant. But even that appeal failed. They were all dead where they lay.

There was a time, just when fighting was at its worst, when the whole army was urged to collect solder from bully beef tins. It was just one of those absurd pieces of officialdom which made civilians so angry when they got to know of them. Sometimes they made soldiers even more expressively angry. But soldiers, especially Irish, were ready to see the humour in such an ordeal.

Naturally, the thing became a game with betting on results between corps; but when a dark, elderly, brooding private of the Irish spent three hours stalking a Coldstream cooker with intent to convey and melt it down, everyone felt it had gone far enough.

Mr. Kipling is not one of those whose hate of the German has cooled. We get an indication of it in the description of the boredom of Cologne, when he says:—

"The prisoner at the bar," as men then styled Germany, being entirely at home, was saving himself to continue the war underground when time, occasion, and discussion among his conquerors should show him his chance.

ASQUITH'S PLEDGE.

WILL NOT WRITE AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY.

Mr. Asquith, who was accompanied by Mrs. Asquith, presided at the sixth of the series of lectures and counter-lectures which are being given at the London School of Economics in aid of the hospitals of London.

The subject of the lecture was "Biographers and Their Victims," and the two disputants were Mr. A. G. Gardiner and Mr. Philip Guedalla.

At the close of the debate Mr. Asquith said:

"I have never written a biography myself, and I do not propose to write an autobiography. I leave that to other members of my family." (Laughter and cheers.)

There was, continued Mr. Asquith, a great distinction between a biography and an epitaph. A real biography ought to be a picture—a picture by an artist who had studied and loved his subject, and brought to the writing of it not only accuracy of memory, not only truth, but also the presentation of that imaginative insight which distinguished a more chronicle or record from a living biography and representation of the person. It was for that reason that Boswell stood in a supreme position from which he would never be displaced among the biographers of the world. (Cheers.)

Autobiography was, he would not say vitiated, but subject to the limitation that the man who wrote his own autobiography was liable as in a looking-glass to get a portraiture of his own features, and therefore liable to be egotistical. Also, in autobiography, it was extremely difficult to tell the truth, or, at any rate, to tell the whole truth and nothing but the truth.

SEA MONSTER.

15 TONS BABY FOUND OFF FLORIDA.

A mysterious sea monster captured south of Miami, Florida, by Captain Charles H. Thompson, is exercising the minds of American piscatorial expert and naturalists. The seas round Florida are famous for their huge tarpon, but this fish makes the tarpon look like a sprat.

The strange creature, of a species altogether unknown, has, after great labour been preserved and mounted by Professor J. S. Wambeth, of Washington, the American taxidermist.

Everybody who has seen it says the most remarkable feature about the monster is that it is very much like an ordinary fish, but thousands of times magnified.

A special feature is a large number of varying spots on the head, such as is found in many ordinary fish. It is altogether unlike a whale.

The following are a few facts about the sea giant:—

Length, 45 feet.

Weight, 15 tons, or 33,600 pounds.

Circumference, 23ft. 9in.

Diameter, 8ft. 3in.

Mouth, 38in. wide, 43in. deep.

Tongue, 40in. long, several thousand teeth.

Pectoral fin, 5ft. long, 3ft. wide.

Dorsal fin, 3ft. long, 2ft. 9in. wide.

Hide, 3in. thick.

When opened, the mysterious creature was found to have dined on an octopus weighing 400 pounds a black fish weighing 1,500 pounds and 500 pounds of coral. As a witty American journalist who viewed the monster wrote: "It could have swallowed 40 Jonahs without the slightest pangs of indigestion."

Scientific authorities are inclined to believe that the creature lived more than 1,500 feet below the surface, and that it was blown up by some subterranean upheaval, possibly volcanic. Its diving fins had been injured so that it was unable to return to its usual haunts. The thickness of its hide enabled it to stand enormous water pressure. Its eyes are very small, have no lids, and never closed, indicating, according to authorities in natural history, that it lived at a depth where eyes were of little or no use.

The fish is the largest ever captured but American naturalists are not content with this, and claim that it is only a baby of its kind and that, had it lived, it would have become at least twice the size.

PRINCESS MAUD.

KING'S NIECE TO MARRY LORD CARNEGIE.

The Court Circular contained the following:—

It is with great pleasure that the King announces the betrothal of his niece, Princess Maud, second daughter of the Princess Royal and the late Duke of Fife, to Lord Carnegie, captain, Scots Guards, eldest son of the Earl and Countess of Southesk, to which union His Majesty gladly gives his consent.

Princess Maud was born on April 3 1893. Her mother, Princess Louise, Princess Royal, oldest of the King's three sisters, married in July 1889 the late Duke of Fife, who died in January 1912. Her sister is Alexandra Victoria, Duchess of Fife, who married in October 1913 Prince Arthur, son of the Duke of Connaught. She has two aunts, Princess Victoria Alexandra, and Princess Maud Charlotte who was married in July 1896 to Charles, Prince of Denmark, now King Haakon VII. of Norway.

Lord Carnegie, who was born in the same year as his bride-to-be, is the eldest son and heir of the 10th Earl of Southesk. His father owns about 22,700 acres of land, and Kinnaird Castle, Brechin, Forfarshire, the family seat, is noted for its valuable library and art treasures. Lord Carnegie was educated at Eton and Sandhurst. In 1914 he obtained his captaincy in the Scots Guards, and from 1917-19 he served as A. D. C. to the Viceroy of India.

It was learned that neither the date nor the place of the wedding of Princess Maud and Lord Carnegie has yet been fixed. The engagement is not likely to be a prolonged one, and it is proable that a date towards the end of July will be selected for the marriage.

BRIDESMAIDS' ROMANCES.

There is quite a romantic interest in the succession of engagements of Princess Mary's bridesmaids.

Princess Mary was married on 28th February 1922. There were eight bridesmaids at the wedding, and two of them—Lady Elizabeth Bowes Lyon and Lady Doris Gordon Lennox—are already married.

Three others are now engaged—Princess Maud, Lady Mary Cambridge, and Lady Rachel Cavendish.

The other bridesmaids at Princess Mary's wedding were Lady Diana Bridgeman, daughter of Earl of Bradford; Lady May Cambridge, and Lady Mary Thynne daughter of the Marquis of Bath.

UNIQUE CLUB.

BERLIN'S "UNRECOGNISED GENIUSES."

The "Club of Unrecognised Geniuses" is the latest manifestation of the German passion for "joining" something, writes Caroline V. Kerr, from Berlin to the *New York American*. No German is thoroughly happy unless he is a member of an organised whole, be it a bowling club, a "skat" club (the national game of cards), a "Gesangverein" or a trade union.

Every one wishes to be affiliated with a band of kindred spirits whether they be fools or geniuses, and thus it happens that every category is organised.

There are societies of "rich men, poor men, beggar men, thieves," for it is a notorious fact that even the beggars of Berlin have a highly organised union with a constitution, by-laws, fines and fees.

Recognised genius can stand alone, but when unrecognised it needs the props furnished by intercourse with fellow-sufferers to whom they can air their grievances and thus find balm for their injured souls.

THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

Every person whose invention has either not been granted a patent, or has proved a drug upon the market, is eligible for membership in this "Club of Unrecognised Geniuses." These rejected inventions are submitted to an investigating committee, whose business it is to test their merit and if found worthy to undertake an active propaganda in their behalf.

The club now has a membership of sixty, who may be considered fairly representative of the great aggregate of unrecognised genius throughout Germany.

The members remind one of passive heroes in a tragi-comedy, appearing from the side-wins of the stage of life, attired in fantastic costumes and makeups, and acting the part written for them by fate. They wear the so-called "plastrons" and adjustable cuffs of a past generation, and affect the long hair which once stood for a peculiar brand of genius and intellectualism.

SOME OF THE INVENTIONS.

They consider themselves the unpaid creditors of a century before which they have cast their precious pearls. These pearls are of the most heterogeneous sort. Some are harmless, some are complicated, but all are grotesque, and the majority of them futile.

One man upon whom, by some trick of fate, was bestowed the pacifistic name of "Gottfried," ("God's Peace"), is the inventor of a powder warranted not to kill, but only to place the victim *hors de concours*. Thereby, battlegrounds would be turned into playgrounds, and the high-sounding "field of honour" would have to be thrown into the discard, as it is a question as to whether this term could be applied to a battle in which there were no dead.

An inventor of "illusions" has perfected an artificial "Fata Morgana," in the shape of a mirror designed to reflect proceedings in an adjoining room; in other words, an instrument of espionage; another a map in the shape of a handkerchief, which enables the owner to combine a cold in the head with the instructive study of geography.

"NEW" BIRD.

OLD TESTAMENT OSTRICH.

The old original ostrich of the Bible—"What time she lifteth up herself on high, she scorneth the horse and his rider"—has only just been properly named, and is now for the first time represented in the London Zoo by a young specimen.

The old scientists, in a very casual kind of way, said, "And then there is the ostrich which is to be found in Africa, Syria, Arabia, and Mesopotamia."

Lord Rothschild, who is a leading expert on the point, was not satisfied, and has definitely established the fact that the Syrian or Asiatic ostrich is a different species from the African bird and has given it the name "Syricus."

In honour of the bird's new dignity, Sir Percy Cox, the former High Commissioner for Mesopotamia, was good enough to "fly" a couple of eggs to the Zoo some time ago. The low temperature encountered by the aeroplane, or perhaps the vibration, very effectively addled the eggs, and incubation was in vain. Then he generously sent two living birds, one of which survived the journey and has just arrived at the Zoo.

It is also nice to think that the British taxpayer is getting a little dividend for his investment in "Mespots."

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DREAM PSYCHOLOGY.

MR. MANUK'S INTERESTING LECTURE.

"The Psychology of Dreams" was the title of an interesting lecture delivered by Mr. M. Manuk at the Theosophical Lodge last evening.

Mr. Manuk began by explaining the nervous system and the part played by the etheric body. Sleep, he said, was produced by the Ego leaving the body but not entirely disconnecting itself from it as in death. When in that condition we had dreams produced either by external physical causes acting on the body, by the brain reproducing mental images stamped upon it—pleasurable or otherwise—or by the Ego trying to impress on the physical brain experiences gathered while away from the body. Amongst physical causes Mr. Manuk mentioned indigestion which produced a certain amount of blood pressure on the brain centres, disturbing the nervous system and producing nightmares. Even external incidents or pressure on the physical body produced similar dreams.

After quoting some examples of prophetic dreams Mr. Manuk went on to discuss the meaning of dreams, pointing out that unless the working of the physical brain and the hallucination created by the etheric counterpart of the brain were under absolute control the images emanating from the two became confused, hence the meaningless and absurd dreams we sometimes had. Very often people, who attached certain meanings to certain dreams, subconsciously accepted these as code words for certain incidents. In such cases the Ego frequently tried to impress upon the brain its experiences on the higher plane during sleep and utilised these very code words for conveying a meaning to the dreams. Often, too, our detached experiences during our waking consciousness and impressed on the brain were responsible for reproducing in sleep associated ideas, thus creating complete dream pictures or incidents. Dreams of transportation from one country to another often arose from the fact that whereas in the waking state we are able to analyse our thoughts and imaginations, in sleep these thoughts assume actual realities.

Vicious habits in children might, Mr. Manuk suggested, be cured if parents would only realise the power of suggestion by stroking the head of the child when asleep for a few seconds and quietly suggesting the habits and qualities they would like to see cultivated in the child, care being taken not to mention or refer to the habits they desired to cure the child of. Such suggestions evoked dream pictures in the child and impressed the ideas on the sub-conscious mind which in time effected the desired change.

Finally, in order to control the dream condition Mr. Manuk suggested that we should have a definite thought in mind before going to sleep, the consciousness being engrossed with thought only. Sleep would then either be dreamless or the dream would be almost entirely associated with the subject thought about.

The Director of Immigration (according to a correspondent of the *Morning Post* and *The Scotsman*) states that the co-ordinated Commonwealth immigration arrangements aim at gradually increasing Australian absorption of British people till the 100,000 mark is reached in 1925.

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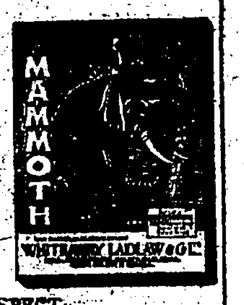

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"For those are the two great stories which have spread the fame of Ibanez over most of the civilised world. And it is certain, too, that millions of people, in this casual, short-memoried, film-enchanted age, have followed those stories without knowing or even caring much who it was that wrought them.

A FIERY FIGURE.

"And yet Vicente Ibanez is a fiery figure, as strong-coloured, robust, and picturesque as his tales 'Blood and Sand' is a title expressive of the man; just as the short pungent title he gave his works were expressive of the sturdy Jack London.

"Ibanez is big—not fat, but large-framed, massive, with bull-like shoulders and a great head fronted with a square strong face. His smile is jovial; his dark eye, continually alert, is sometimes brooding, sometimes benign, often twinkling with laughter. He is energetic, lively, forceful, gesticulating, restless, leaving solidly on a large and generous plan.

"He was born in Valencia fifty-six years ago. His father's name was Blasco, his mother's Ibanez. He studied at the University, took a legal degree, but never practised law. Instead, he plunged into politics. He wanted, like many other young students of the time, to change the existing Constitution from a monarchy into a federated republic.

"Possibly, born into a Republic, he would have become an ardent Royalist. He suffered imprisonment for his political activities, not once but several times, and achieved some measure of fame as a public figure. He was elected deputy for Valencia no less than seven times, and might have become a notable figure in the political sphere had that sphere offered the peculiar conditions necessary to satisfy a man with a powerful creative mind and the urge to write.

"As it was, he forsook politics and took to journalism. He wandered over half Europe, and found the strange dives and haunts of Paris, Berlin, Vienna, Rome, which he describes so vividly in many of his books. He observed the ways of life of rich cosmopolitans, and probed into the lives of the poor. About the time that Mussolini was tramping, penniless, in Switzerland, Blasco Ibanez was tramping, penniless, in Italy.

"In Valencia he earned his livelihood on a newspaper. But that work finished, he exercised the creative cells of his brain. He would sit up far into the night, sometimes, until the dawn hour, writing furiously at a battered table in a fireless room by the light of a single flickering candle. These early efforts of his have not survived. Many he has forgotten. A complete Ibanez bibliography does not yet exist.

"He takes much of his material from books. He devours tomes of abstruse lore. Wherever he is, he is surrounded by oceans of volumes.

A RICH MAN.

"Ibanez, once poor, is rich now—as rich as any living writer. The Spanish public applauded him comparatively early. But the Spanish public does not make its beloved authors wealthy. It was in America, South America, that Ibanez found his big public, and in Hollywood later that he found that world public which is the El Dorado of the contemporary writer.

"He lives a simple life, in his Mentone home, the Villa Fontana Rosa. His workroom looks on a tropical garden of palms and orange trees—a long, lavender-grey room, with a divan or two, and full of books, curios and ancient pottery figures, cushions pictured with Egyptian bas-relief figures. He has libraries in Paris, Valencia, and Madrid, in addition to the Mentone one."

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24.—	C. N.	Soochow.
24.—	I.O.S.N.	Waishing.
24.—	N.Y.K.	Haga Maru.
26.—	I.O.S.N.	Tungshing.
28.—	C.P.S.	Empress of Canada.
28.—	P. & O.	Macedonia.
31.—	N.Y.K.	Fushimi Maru.
31.—	L. T.	Trieste.
Aug. 1.—	P. M.	Pres. Taft.
2.—	A.O.L.	Pres. McKinley.
4.—	N.Y.K.	Morioka Maru.
4.—	N. Y. K.	Nagano Maru.
6.—	B. F.	Patroclus.
9.—	T.K.K.	Tenyo Maru.
9.—	C.P.S.	Empress of Russia.
11.—	N.Y.K.	Iyo Maru.
11.—	P. & O.	Dongola.
14.—	A. O. L.	Pres. Jackson.
15.—	N.Y.K.	Mishima Maru.
15.—	N.Y.K.	Tamba Maru.
16.—	T.K.K.	Korea Maru.
24.—	C.P.S.	Empress of A'lia.
25.—	B. B.	Isla de Panay.
28.—	A. O. L.	Pres. Jefferson.
31.—	T.K.K.	Shinyo Maru.
Sept. 2.—	L. T.	Rosandra.
5.—	N.Y.K.	Shidzuoka Maru.
6.—	C.P.S.	Empress of Asia.
7.—	A.O.L.	Pres. Grant.
15.—	T.K.K.	Siberia Maru.
22.—	C.P.S.	Empress of Canada.
26.—	T.K.K.	Taiyo Maru.
Oct. 4.—	C.P.S.	Empress of Russia.
19.—	C.P.S.	Empress of A'lia.
Nov. 1.—	C.P.S.	Empress of Asia.

CHEFOO.

July 20.—	O. N.	Chinkiang.

NEWCHWANG.

July 20.—	O. N.	Chinkiang.

PAKOW.

July 22.—	O. N.	Kanchow.

KEELUNG.

July 22.—	O. S. K.	Kaijo Maru.
29.—	O.S.K.	Amakusa Maru.
Aug. 3.—	O.S.K.	Batavia Maru.
5.—	T.K.K.	Tenyo Maru.
16.—	T.K.K.	Korea Maru.
31.—	T.K.K.	Shinyo Maru.
Sept. 26.—	T.K.K.	Taiyo Maru.

TSINGTAO.

July 21.—	O. N.	Luchow.

TIENTSIN.

July 25.—	I.O.S.N.	Chipshing.

HOIHOW.

July 20.—	I.O.S.N.	Mingsang.
Aug. 7.—	I.O.S.N.	Chunsang.

HAIPHONG.

July 20.—	I.O.S.N.	Mingsang.
22.—	P.A.L. Cie	Hanoi.

SAIGON.

July 19.—	I.O.S.N.	Foosheng.
22.—	C. N.	Haiyang.
26.—	N.Y.K.	Kamakura Maru
Aug. 1.—	O. S. K.	Kishu Maru.

BANGKOK.

July 24.—	E. A.	Banka.
24.—	C. N.	Chenan.
24.—	I.O.S.N.	Chaksang.
Aug. 1.—	O. S. K.	Kishu Maru.
6.—	E. A.	Bintang.
7.—	I.O.S.N.	Chunsang.

SINGAPORE.

July 20.—	B. I.	Torilla.
21.—	C. N.	Kiungchow.
21.—	G. L.	Glentara.
21.—	K.P.M.	Van Overstraten.
21.—	P. & O.	Kidderpore.
22.—	E. L.	City of M'chester.
23.—	B. F.	Helenus.
25.—	P. & O.	Devanha.
25.—	B. I.	Torilla.
26.—	B. B.	Lopez Y Lopez.
27.—	N.Y.K.	Sado Maru.
28.—	P. & O.	Macedonia.
30.—	N.Y.K.	Moji Maru.
Aug. 1.—	B. F.	Pelous.
1.—	N.Y.K.	Kashima Maru.
1.—	O.S.K.	Kishu Maru.
4.—	O.S.	Celebes Maru.
5.—	P.S.O.	Soudan.
7.—	B. F.	Sarpedon.
7.—	G. L.	Glenliffer.
8.—	P. & O.	Khiva.
11.—	G. L.	Carnarvonshire
12.—	P. & O.	Alipore.
13.—	B. F.	Rhexenor.
13.—	N.D.L.	Gottingen.
15.—	N.Y.K.	Hakone Maru.
15.—	O.S.K.	Indo Maru.
15.—	R. B.	Titan.
16.—	U.S.S.B.	West Cormona.
20.—	E. A.	Bolivia.
20.—	B. F.	Laomedon.
20.—	P. & O.	Banca.
22.—	P. & O.	Kashmir.
26.—	P. & O.	Sicilia.
29.—	B. F.	Dardanus.
Sept. 1.—	B. F.	Agamemnon.
4.—	B. F.	Patroclus.
4.—	P. & O.	Macedonia.
12.—	B. B.	Isla de Panay.
17.—	B. F.	Mentor.
18.—	N.D.L.	Ludwigshafen.

20.—	B. F.	Kt. Templar.
24.—	B. F.	Agapenor.
28.—	P. & O	Dongola.
30.—	E. A.	Java.
Oct. 5.—	P. & O.	Mantua.
15.—	E. A.	Afrika.
15.—	N.D.L.	Weser.
19.—	P. & O.	Karmala.
23.—	P. & O.	Sicilia.
Nov. 2.—	P. & O.	Kalyan.
5.—	B. F.	Teiresias.
16.—	E. A.	Chile.
16.—	P. & O.	Malwa.
22.—	P. & O.	Soudan.
30.—	P. & O.	China.
Dec. 14.—	P. & O.	Devanha.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, ETC.

MANILA

July 20.—	I.O.S.N.	Mausang.
22.—	P. & O.	Soudan.
23.—	P. M.	Pres. Taft.
24.—	A.O.L.	Pres. McKinley.
24.—	C. N.	Tean.
26.—	R. B.	Emil Kirdorf.
26.—	B. B.	Loyes Y Lopez.
28.—	P. & O.	Macedonia.
28.—	B. B.	St. Albans.
Aug. 4.—	E. & A.	St. Albans.
5.—	A.O.L.	Pres. Jackson.
6.—	P. M.	Pres. Cleveland.
7.—	U.S.S.B.	West Chopaka.
10.—	R. F.	Pyhrrus.
15.—	N.Y.K.	Aki Maru.
15.—	H.A.L.	Muensterland.
16.—	U.S.S.B.	West Cormona.
16.—	T.K.K.	Korea Maru.
26.—	E. B.	Scheer.
31.—	T.K.K.	Shinyo Maru.
Sept. 12.—	B. B.	Isla de Panay.
19.—	N.Y.K.	Tango Maru.
20.—	T.K.K.	Taiyo Maru.

SANDAKAN.

July 20.—	I.O.S.N.	Mausang.

CEBU, ILOILO & ZAMBOANGA

Aug. 7.—	U.S.S.B.	West Chopaka.

JAVA PORTS, ETC.

July 21.—	R P.M.	Van Overstraten
21.—	T.K.K.	Persia Maru.
25.—	J.C.J.L.	Tjisondari.
Aug. 2.—	T.K.K.	Woyo Maru.
6.—	Nanyo Y.K.	Macassar Maru.
12.—	Nanyo Y.K.	S'rang Maru.

BALIKPAPAN.

July 20.—	O. N.	Taikoowanyl.

INDIAN PORTS, ETC.

CALCUTTA.

July 21.—	P. M.	Lake Fielding.
25.—	B. I.	Torilla.
30.—	N.Y.K.	Moji Maru
Aug. 11.—	I.O.S.N.	Husang.
15.—	O. S. K.	Indo Maru.

PENANG.

July 21.—	O.S.K.	Himalaya Maru.
25.—	B. I.	Torilla.
27.—	N.Y.K.	Sado Maru.
30.—	N.Y.K.	Moji Maru.
Aug. 4.—	O.S.K.	Celebes Maru.
5.—	P. & O.	Soudan.
12.—	P. & O.	Alipore.
26.—	P. & O.	Sicilia.
Sept. 7.—	P. & O.	Macedonia.

BOMBAY AND COLOMBO.

July 21.—	P. & O.	Kidderpore.
21.—	O.S.K.	Himalaya Maru.
26.—	B. B.	C. Lopez Y Lopez.
27.—	N.Y.K.	Sado Maru.
Aug. 4.—	O.S.K.	Celebes Maru.
5.—	P. & O.	Soudan.
8.—	P. & O.	Khiva.
12.—	P. & O.	Alipore.
13.—	N.D.L.	Gottingen.
20.—	P. & O.	Banca.
26.—	P. & O.	Sicilia.
Sept. 7.—	P. & O.	Macedonia.
12.—	B. B.	Isla de Panay.
19.—	N.D.L.	Ludwigshafen.
Oct. 3.—	P. & O.	Mantua.
15.—	N.D.L.	Weser.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

Aug. 4.—	E. & A.	St. Albans.
15.—	N.Y.K.	Aki Maru.
Sept. 1.—	E. A.	Eastern.
19.—	N.Y.K.	Tango Maru.
Oct. 6.—	E. & A.	Arafura.
Nov. 2.—	E. & A.	St. Albans.
Dec. 1.—	E. & A.	Eastern.
Jan. 5.—	E. & A.	Arafura.

JAPAN PORTS.

July 21.—	T.K.K.	Persia Maru.
21.—	A. O. L.	Pres. Madison.
23.—	E. L.	City of Boston.
24.—	N.Y.K.	Kaga Maru.
24.—	J.C.J.L.	Tjikini.
28.—	C.P.S.	Empress of Canada
28.—	P. & O.	Macedonia.
31.—	L. T.	Trieste.
31.—	N.Y.K.	Fushimi Maru.
Aug. 1.—	P. M.	Pres. Taft.
1.—	O.S.K.	Altai Maru.
1.—	I.O.S.N.	Loisang.
1.—	Nanyo Y.K.	Bandoeng Maru.
2.—	A. O. L.	Pres. McKinley.
4.—	N.Y.K.	Morioka Maru.
4.—	N.Y.B	Nagano Maru.
6.—	I.O.S.N.	Fooksang.
7.—	E. & A.	Eastern.
9.—	T.K.K.	Tenyo Maru.
9 —	C.P.S.	Empress of Russia.
11.—	N.Y.K.	Iyo Maru.
11.—	P. & O.	Dongola.
14.—	A. O. L.	Pres. Jackson.
15.—	N.Y.K.	Mishima Maru.
15.—	N.Y.K.	Tamba Maru.
16.—	T.K.K.	Korea Maru.
16.—	N.Y.K.	Tango Maru.
24.—	C.P.S.	Empress of A'lia.
26.—	A. O. L.	Pres. Jefferson.
27.—	Nanyo Y.K.	Oberiboo Maru.
31.—	T.K.K.	Shinyo Maru.
Sept. 2.—	L. T.	Rosandra.
5.—	N.Y.K.	Shidzuoka Maru.
6.—	C.P.S.	Empress of Asia.
7.—	A. O. L.	Pres. Grant.
15.—	T.K.K.	Siberia Maru.
22.—	C.P.S.	Empress of Canada.
25.—	B. B.	Isla de Panay.
26.—	T.K.K.	Taiyo Maru.
Oct. 4.—	C.P.S.	Empress of Russia.
19.—	C.P.S.	Empress of A'lia.
Nov. 1.—	C.P.S.	Empress of Asia.

HONOLULU.

Aug. 1.—	P. M.	Pres. Taft.
9.—	T.K.K.	Tenyo Maru.
16.—	T.K.K.	Korea Maru.
31.—	T.K.K.	Shinyo Maru.
Sept. 15.—	T.K.K.	Siberia Maru.
26.—	T. K. K.	Taiyo Maru.

AMERICAN PORTS.

VANCOUVER, ETC.

July 21.—	O.S.K.	Manila Maru.
23.—	B. F.	Tyndareus.
24.—	N.Y.K.	Kaga Maru.
Aug. 9.—	C.P.S.	Empress of Russia.
11.—	N.Y.K.	Iyo Maru.
11.—	B. F.	Protesilaus.
24.—	C.P.S.	Empress of A'lia.
Sept. 5.—	N.Y.K.	Shidzuoka Maru
7.—	A.O.L.	Pres. Grant.
6.—	C.P.S.	Empress of Asia.
11.—	B. F.	Achilles.
22.—	C.P.S.	Empress of Canada.
Oct. 2.—	B. F.	Philoctetes.
4.—	C.P.S.	Empress of Russia.
19.—	C.P.S.	Empress of A'lia.
30.—	B. F.	Tyndareus.
Nov. 20.—	B. F.	Protesilaus.
Nov. 1.—	C.P.S.	Empress of Asia.

VICTORIA.

July 21.—	A O.L.	Pres. Madison.
21.—	O. S. K.	Manila Maru.
22.—	B. F.	Tyndareus
24.—	N.Y.K.	Kaga Maru.
Aug. 2.—	A. O. L.	Pres. McKinley.
11.—	N.Y.K	Iyo Maru.
11.—	B. F.	Protesilaus.
14.—	A. O. L.	Pres. Jackson.
26.—	A.O.L.	Pres. Jefferson.
Sept. 5.	N.Y.K.	Shidzuoka Maru.
7.—	A.O.L.	Pres. Grant.
11.—	B F.	Achilles.
Oct. 3.—	B. F.	Philoctetes.
Nov. 20.—	B. F.	Protesilaus.

SEATTLE.

July 21.—	O. S. K.	Manila Maru.
23.—	B. F.	Tyndareus.
24.—	N.Y.K.	Kaga Maru.
Aug. 2.—	A.O.L.	Pres. McKinley.
11.—	B. F.	Achilles.
14.—	N.Y.K.	Iyo Maru.
14.—	A. O. L.	Pres. Jackson.
26.—	A.O.L.	Pres. Jefferson.
Sept. 5.—	N.Y.K.	Shidzuoka Maru.
7.—	A.O.L.	Pres. Grant.
11.—	B. F.	Achilles.
Oct. 3.—	B. F.	Philoctetes.
Nov. 20.—	B. F.	Protesilaus.

LOS ANGELES.

July 28.—	U.S.S.B.	West Sequana.

SAN FRANCISCO.

July 23.—	U.S.S.B.	West Sequana.
Aug. 1.—	P. M.	Pres. Taft.
9.—	T.K.K.	Tenyo Maru.
16.—	T.K.K.	Korea Maru.
31.—	T.K.K.	Shinyo Maru.
Sept. 15.—	T.K.K.	Siberia Maru.
26.—	T.K.K.	Taiyo Maru.

RIO DE JANEIRO.

(VIA SAIGON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, DURBAN & CAPETOWN).

July 23.—	N.Y.K.	Kamakura Maru.
Aug. 19.—	O.S.K.	Mexico Maru.

VALPARAISO.

(VIA JAPAN, HONOLULU, SAN FRANCISCO SAN PEDRO, SALINO CRUZ, BALBAO CALLAO, ARICA & IQUIQUE).

July 27.—	T.K.K.	Bakuyo Maru.
Aug. 15.—	T. I. O.	Volunteer.
Sept. 5.—	T.K.K.	Gifujo Maru.
(Oct. 20.—	T.K.K.	Aniyo Maru.
Dec. 4.—	T.K.K.	Soiyo Maru.

PORTLAND.

Aug. 14.—	U.S.S.B.	West O'Rowa.
29.—	U.S.S.B.	West Jossup.

NEW YORK.

(VIA PANAMA).

Aug. 3.—	T.K.K.	Woyo Maru.
4.—	N.Y.K	Kaga Maru.
15.—	T. I. O.	Volunteer.

(VIA SUEZ.)

July 20.—	D. L.	Robert Dollar.
24.—	P. L.	Gothic Prince.
25.—	B. F.	Langton Hall.
27.—	D. L.	Virginia Dollar.
Aug. 5.—	B. F.	Kalorama.
5.—	B. F.	City of Madras.
7.—	D. & Co.	Egremont Castle.
8.—	O.S.K.	Alaska Maru.
13.—	N.D.L.	Gottingen.
15.—	B. F.	Talthybius.
25.—	B. F.	City of Boston.
Sept. 5.—	B. F.	Antilochus.
7.—	D. & Co.	Bowes Castle.
15.—	B. F.	Bellerophon.

BOSTON.

July 20.—	D. L.	Robert Dollar.
24.—	P. L.	Gothic Prince.
25.—	B. F.	Langton Hall.
27.—	D. L.	Virginia Dollar.
Aug. 4.—	N.Y.K.	Delagoa Maru.
5.—	B. F.	Kalorama.
5.—	B. F.	City of Madras.
7.—	D. & Co.	Egremont Castle.
15.—	B. F.	Talthybius.
25.—	B. F.	City of Boston.
Sept. 5.—	B. F.	Antilochus.
7.—	D. & Co.	Bowes Castle.
15.—	B. F.	Bellerophon.

SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

DURBAN AND CAPETOWN.

(VIA SINGAPORE, BUENOS AIRES, RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS AND MAURITIUS.)

Aug. 17.—	O. S. K.	Mexico Maru.

MONTEVIDEO.

Aug. 17.—	O.S.K.	Mexico Maru.

BARCELONA & VALENCIA.

July 26.—	N.Y.K.	Kamakura Maru
26.—	B.B.	C. Lopez Y. Lopez.
Sept. 18.—	B. B.	Isla de Panay.

BRINDISI, VENICE & TRIESTE.

Aug. 7.—	L. T.	Duchessa D'Aosta.

FOR VALENCIA.

Aug. 10.—	N.Y.K.	Tokushima Maru.
20.—	E. A.	Bolivia.
Sept. 20.—	E. A.	Java.
Oct. 15.—	E. A.	Afrika.
Nov. 16.—	E. A.	Chile.

GENOA.

Aug. 7.—	G. L.	Glenliffer.
11.—	G. L.	Carnarvonshire.
13.—	N.D.L.	Gottingen.
15.—	B. F.	Titan.
Sept. 19.—	N.D.L.	Ludwigshafen.
20.—	B. F.	Kt. Templar.
Oct. 15.—	N.D.L.	Weser.

MARSEILLES.

July 21.—	E. L.	City of Manchester
23.—	P. & O.	Devanha.
Aug. 1.—	B. F.	Pelous.
1.—	N.Y.K.	Kashima Maru.
7.—	B. F.	Sarpedon.
8.—	P. & O.	Khiva.
10.—	N.Y.K.	Tokushima Maru.
15.—	N.Y.K.	Hakone Maru.
15.—	B. F.	Titan.
17.—	E. A.	Bolivia.
20.—	B. F.	Titan.
22.—	P. & O.	Kashmir.
23.—	P. & O.	Sicilia.
30.—	E. A.	Java.
Sept. 1.—	B. F.	Agamemnon.
4.—	B. F.	Patroclus.
4.—	O.S.K.	London Maru.
7.—	P. & O.	Macedonia.
20.—	B. F.	Kt. Templar.
21.—	P. & O.	Dongola
31.—	E. A.	Australien.
Oct. 5.—	P. & O.	Mantua.
10.—	E. A.	Afrika.
19.—	P & O.	Karmala.
Nov. 16.—	E. A.	Chile.

GIBRALTAR.

July 25.—	P. & O.	Devanha.
Aug. 8.—	P. & O.	Khiva.
22.—	P. & O.	Kashmir.
Sept. 7.—	P & O.	Macedonia.
Oct. 5 —	P. & O.	Mantua.
19.—	P. & O.	Karmala.

HAVRE.

Aug. 1.—	B. F.	Pelous.
20.—	E. A.	Bolivia.
Sept. 1.—	B. F.	Agamemnon
20.—	E. A.	Java.
Oct. 15.—	E. A.	Afrika.
Nov. 16.—	E. A.	Chile.

LONDON.

July 22.—	E. D.	City of M'chester.
21.—	G. L.	Glentara.
23.—	B. F.	Helenus.
25.—	P & O.	Devanha.
30.—	P. & O.	Soudan.
Aug. 1.—	N.Y.K.	Kashima Maru
4 —	P. & O.	Soudan.
7.—	B. F.	Sarpedon.
7.—	G. L.	Glenliffer.
8.—	P. & O.	Khiva.
11.—	G. L.	Carnarvonshire.
13.—	B F.	Rhexenor.
15 —	N.Y.K.	Hakone Maru.
20.—	B. F.	Laomedon.
20.—	E. A.	Bolivia.
24.—	C.P.S.	Empress of A'lia
26.—	P. & O.	Sicilia.
27.—	B. F.	Dardanus.
Sept. 4.—	B. F.	Patroclus
4.—	O. S. K.	London Maru.
6.—	C.P.S.	Empress of Asia.
7.—	P. & O.	Macedonia.
10.—	B. F.	Pyrrhus.
17.—	B. F.	Mentor.
22.—	C.P.S.	Empress of Canada.
24.—	B. F.	Agapenor.
28.—	P. & O.	Dongola.
30.—	E. A.	Java.
Oct. 4.—	C.P.S.	Empress of Russia.
5.—	P. & O.	Mantua.
15.—	E. A.	Afrika.
19.—	P. & O.	Karmala.
23.—	P. & O.	Sicilia.
Nov. 2.—	P. & O.	Kalyan.
5.—	B. F.	Teiresias.
16.—	P. & O.	Malwa.
16.—	E. A.	Chile.
22.—	P. & O.	Soudan.
30.—	P. & O.	China.
Dec. 14.—	P. & O.	Devanha.

LIVERPOOL.

Aug. 1.—	B. F.	Pelous.
10.—	N.Y.K.	Tokushima Maru.
15.—	B. F.	Titan.
Sept. 1.—	B. F.	Agamemnon.
20.—	B. F.	Kt. Templar.

GLASGOW.

Aug. 1.—	B. F.	Pelous.
15.—	B. F.	Titan.
Sept. 1.—	B. F.	Agamemnon.
20.—	B. F.	Kt. Templar.

AMSTERDAM.

Aug. 10.—	J.C.J.L.	Saleier.
20.—	E. A.	Bolivia.
Sept. 30.—	E. A.	Java.
Oct. 15.—	E.A.	Afrika.
Nov. 16.—	E. A.	Chile.

ROTTERDAM.

July 21.—	G. L.	Glentara.
22.—	E. L.	City of Manchistere
23.—	B. F.	Helenus.
24.—	B. F.	Agapenor.
29. -	R. B.	Emil Kirdorf.
30.—	B. F.	Autolycus.
Aug. 7.—	B. F.	Sarpedon.
7.—	G. L.	Glenliffer.
10.—	J.C.J.L.	Saleier.
11.—	G. L.	Carnarvonshire.
13.—	B F	Rhexenor.
13.—	N D.L.	Gottingen.
15.—	H.A.L.	Muensterland.
20.—	B. F.	Laomedon.
20.—	E. A.	Bolivia.
26.—	R. B.	Scheer.
27.—	B. F.	Dardanus
Sept. 10.—	B. F.	Pyrrhus.
12.—	B. F.	Mentor.
19. -	N.D.L.	Ludwigshafen.
30.—	E. A	Java.
Oct. 15.—	E. A	Afrika.
15.—	N.D.L.	Weser.
Nov. 16.—	E. A.	Chile.

ANTWERP.

July 21.—	G. L.	Glentara.
22.—	E. L.	City of M'chester
23.—	B. F.	Helenus.
25.—	P. & O.	Devanha.
29.—	R. B.	Emil Kirdorf.
Aug. 1.—	N.Y.K.	Kashima Maru.
8.—	P. & O.	Khiva.
13.—	N.D.L.	Gottingen.
15.—	N.Y.K.	Hakone Maru.
22.—	P. & O.	Kashmir.
26.—	P. & O.	Sicilia.
26.—	R. B.	Scheer.
Sept. 4.—	O. S. K.	London Maru.
7.—	P. & O	Macedonia.
17 —	R. B.	Mentor.
19.—	N.D.L.	Ludwigshafen.
21.—	P. & O.	Dongola.
Oct. 5.—	P. & O.	Mantua.
15.—	N.D.L.	Weser.
19.—	P. & O.	Karmala.

HAMBURG.

July 21.—	G. L.	Glentara.
22.—	E. L.	City of Manchester
29.—	R. B.	Emil Kirdorf.
Aug. 7.—	G. L	Glenliffer.
10.—	J.C J.L.	Saleier
11.—	G. L.	Carnarvonshire.
13 —	B. F.	Rhexenor.
13.—	N.D.L.	Gottingen.
15.—	H.A.L.	Muensterland.
20.—	B. F.	Laomedon.
20.—	E. A.	Bolivia.
26.—	R. B.	Scheer.
Sept. 4.—	O. S. K.	London Maru.
10.—	B. F.	Pyrrhus.
19.—	N.D.L.	Ludwigshafen.
30.—	E.A.	Java.
Oct. 15.—	E. A.	Afrika.
15.—	N.D.L.	Weser.
Nov. 16.—	E. A.	Chile.

BREMEN.

Aug. 10.—	J.C.J.L.	Saleier.

COPENHAGEN.

Aug. 20.—	E. A.	Bolivia.
Sept. 30.—	E. A.	Java.
Oct. 15.—	E. A.	Afrika.
Nov. 16.—	E. A.	Chile.

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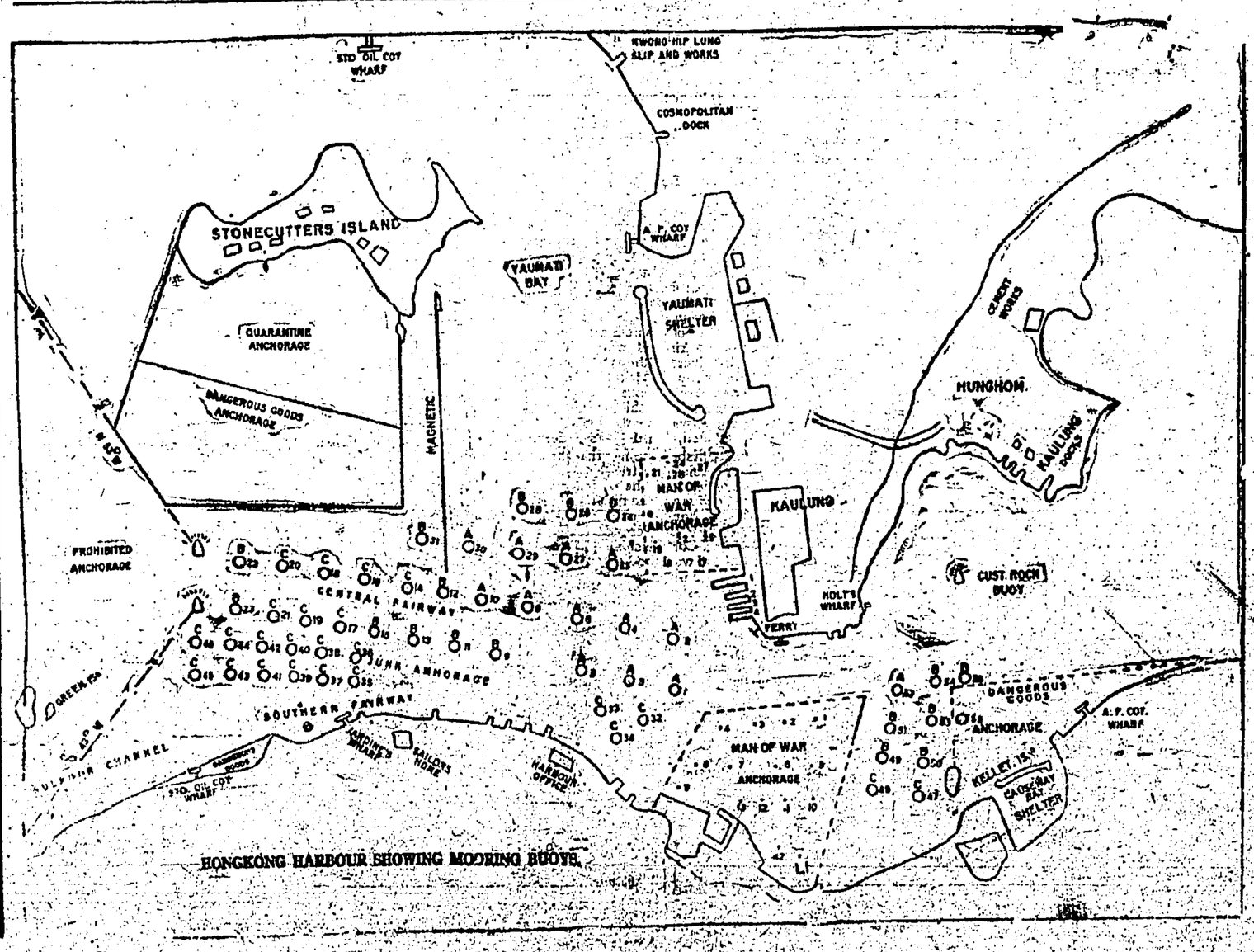

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"ASSASSINATION."

AN ATTACK ON LORD MILNER.

For the title of his book about South African politics, "The Dominion of Afrikanderdom" (Methuen, 12s. 6d.), Sir James T. Molteno has appropriated, satirically, the phrase in which Lord Milner, on the eve of the Boer War, denounced the political dominance of the Dutch as a menace to the Empire in South Africa. Of course, it recalls distant controversies and conflicts.

Sir James is a son of the first Premier of Cape Colony. He was the last Speaker of the Parliament of the Cape and the first Speaker of the Parliament of the Union in which the four Colonies were merged in 1909. His election at an early age to the Cape Parliament explains his nickname of "Baby Molteno."

As an ardent disciple of Mr. John X. Merriman, the veteran South African statesman, Sir James condemns roundly the Jameson Raid and the war against the Boer Republics. "That inglorious last move of the High Commissioner, Milner, and the plotter against the political life of the country," conveys Sir James's opinion of Lord Milner's proposal, after the war, to suspend the Constitution of Cape Colony as a measure of Imperial safety. Nothing more was heard of that after the Colonial Premiers had expressed their objections very vigorously to Mr. Chamberlain.

CECIL RHODES.

The book affords some startling glimpses of Imperial politics behind the scenes and of the part in them which Sir James attributes to Cecil Rhodes, Chamberlain, and Lord Milner.

With an allusion to Jameson as the "most meteoric and chivalrous buccaneer of modern times," Sir James declares that the Raid was Rhodes's "fatal step, the first step on that downward road to disaster."

Great man that he was, he lacked moral courage and ballast.

I was to witness a personality wholly changed and eventually a morose, egotistical, intellectual bully, who could not bear to hear the truth, and could tolerate only flatterers and Court fools.

Coupling Lord Milner and Mr. Chamberlain in a striking indictment, Sir James says:—

Milner all the time that he was in South Africa never enjoyed the restful feeling that springs from the love and confidence of the governed. Milner was a jingo hero, a party leader. . . . I have never been able to satisfy myself whether Milner was Chamberlain's tool or Chamberlain Milner's. History will show, and some day when we are passed away some privileged student will be handed the private and secret correspondence of the leading engineers of South Africa's assassination.

Sir James's book is not all concerned with such strictures. In many pleasant pages he recalls the old, kindly, hospitable life at the Cape before the first Boer War.

The Afrikander case in relation to Imperial policy has rarely been put with such point and feeling as in this book. No doubt Sir James's judgments will be challenged. But he has added a vivid page, though largely a controversial one, to the chequered annals of his country.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

Kanchow, (B & S.) from Shanghai.—C17.

Luchow, (B. & S.) from Shanghai, Amoy.—B12.

Chambord, (M. M. Cie) from Marseilles, Saigon.—A4.

Hanoi, (Lapicque & Co.) from Haiphong, Fort Bayard.—C14.

Kaijo Maru, (O. S. K.) from Keelung, Swatow.—Co's Wharf.

Tyndareus, (B. & S.) from Cebu.—A1.

DEPARTURES.

Hydrangea, (Chin On) for Swatow.—July 19.

Cochin Chine, (Kaiyu) for Pakhoi.—July 19.

Fooshing, (J. M. & Co.) for Saigon.—July 19.

Kojun Maru, (M. B. K.) for Dairen, Tsingtao.—July 19.

Phranang, (Chau Yu Teng) for Haiphong, Hoihow.—July 19.

West Ivan, (St. & Barry) for Los Angeles.—July 19.

Hosang, (J. M. & Co.) for Kobe, Amoy.—July 19.

THE HAND OF THE AMATEUR.

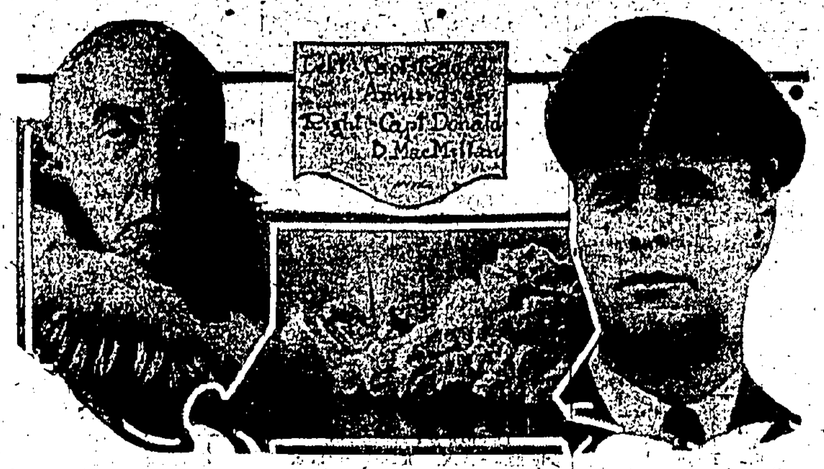
One morning the master of the house came down in a very disturbed state of mind. He informed his wife that little Tommy had taken some money out of his pocket.

"Now Henry," said his wife reproachfully, "I don't think it is right for you to charge Tommy with taking money out of your pocket. Why, you might as well accuse me!"

"Oh no, Mary," replied her husband; "it wasn't all taken, you know!"

Mrs Clara Phillips

Clara Phillips, alleged "hammer murderess," brought back from Honduras to stand trial for the slaying of Alberta Meadows, has sacrificed her freedom for her honour, she declared. "I know people won't believe it," she sobbed, "but I am returning to life in a grim prison because I thought more of my honour than of my freedom." A high Honduran official, she added, had offered her freedom and safety if she would consent to become the mistress of his palatial mansion. She told him that she would rather be in a prison cell in America. The "tiger woman" is confident of proving her innocence.



Captain Roald Amundsen, foremost of polar explorers, is almost ready to "taoff" from Nomkee Alaska, from the steamship "Maud" (shown hemmed in by ice), in his attempt to chart by aeroplane the regions between man's "farthest North" and the North Pole. If his plane falls he and his pilot undoubtedly will perish. Captain Donald B. MacMillan, who led an expedition into the Frozen North some time ago to investigate terrestrial magnetism, is now completing plants for his latest venture—a fitting forth in the schooner "Bowdoin," into the Arctic in an effort to determine whether another glacial era is coming.

Policeman J. S. Waters and Leslie Paffrath

Police J. S. Waters, has proved that he isn't so hardboiled, after all. Between him and little Leslie Paffrath, motor car accident victim, there has been established a tie of friendship which seems certain to endure. Waters visits the youngster at Flower Hospital as soon as he reports off duty each day, and Leslie looks forward to his coming. With the bluecoat urging him to be brave, the lad submitted to having his head stitched and his broken leg reset without the use of an aesthetic, after Waters had picked him up and taken him to the hospital.

Lois Hyley Chief Two Guns White Calf & Jane Montgomery

Big Chief Two Guns White Calf, of the Blackfeet tribe of Montana, while enroute to the Shriners' convention, in Washington, expressed strongly his dislike of the big city, but was profuse in his praise of its women. Miss Lois Highly (left) and Miss Jane Montgomery helped to make his stay a pleasant one.

Mrs. Eva S. Baltuck

Mrs. Eva. S. Baltuck has bared the details of an alleged plot by which Jerome A. Jacobs, attorney, is said to have endeavoured to "manufacture" divorce evidence in her behalf. Jacobs and Edward J. May, a private detective, have been charged with conspiracy in the case. Mrs. Blatuck who is separated, from her husband, Samuel Baltuck, and wanted a divorce, said Jacobs "guaranteed" results in three weeks after the receipt of a $500 fee. A "stock co-respondent," said to be Frances Gilbert, former showgirl, was provided, after Baltuck had agreed to the "act," and a raid was staged. Justice Seeger became suspicious, however, and threw out the case, the conspiracy charges following.

Mlle Andree Peyre

Mlle. Andree Peyre, pretty French aviatrix, has created a new world's altitude record for women fliers. She piloted her plane to a height of 15,000 feet before officials of the Aero Club of Southern California, at Los Angeles, and came also within 5,000 feet of the world's record for height attained by fliers of either sex. She used a 6-cylinder, 70-horsepower baby sport plane and was in the air an hour and ten minutes, the sealed baragraph on her machine testifying she had reached an altitude of 15,000 feet.

Miss Florence Wilkinson

Miss Florence Wilkinson, has been selected as the most beautiful girl in the University of Tinnesota by Coles Phillips, celebrated illustrator. Miss Wilkinson was chosen from a photograph, by Phillips, after the staff of the university's Year Book had conducted a beauty contest.

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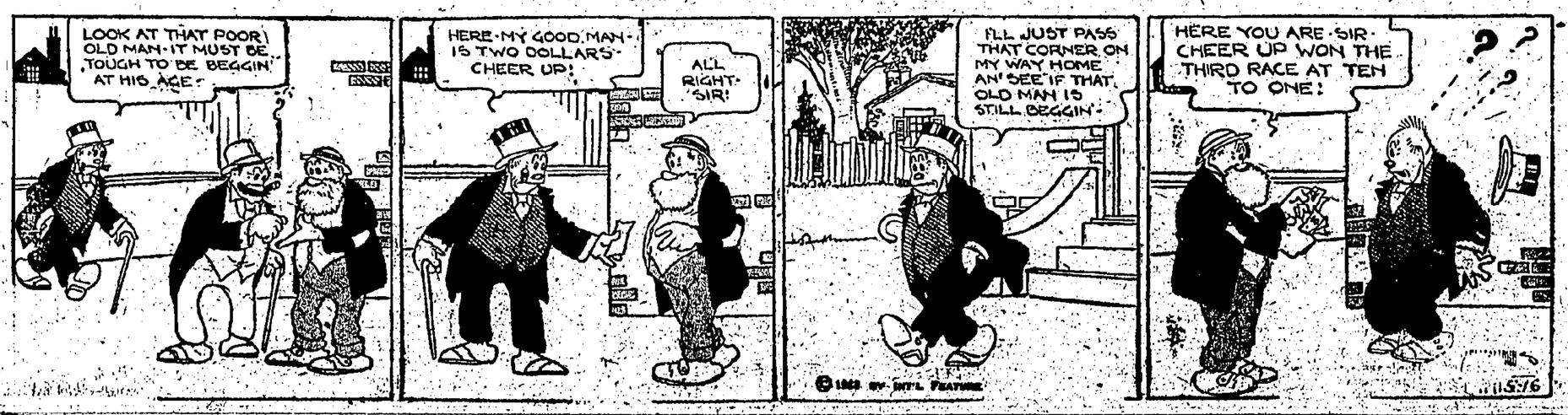

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

DOCKERS' STRIKE.

LONDON, July 17th.

A serious extension of the dock strike occurred on the Mersey side to-day. Following a procession of the Birkenhead strikers several thousand dockers struck at Liverpool, and the work of loading Atlantic liners and deep-sea cargo boats has been stopped. All the coastal and cross-Channel services have been suspended.

The foreign fruit trade at Covent Garden is practically at a standstill, owing to a strike of porters. The meat trade is also held up owing to the porters at Smithfield ceasing work.

It is alleged that the dockers are intimidating the porters.

IMMIGRATION.

WARSAW, July 12th.

The United States Secretary for Labour, Mr. Davis, accompanied by Mr. Aswell, president of the Agrarian Commission of the U.S. Congress has arrived. His mission is to study the question of European immigration for the United States.

FRANCE AND GERMANY.

LONDON, July 17th.

The French and the German Authorities are accusing each other of responsibility for the economic situation in the Ruhr, which is becoming distinctly worse.

A majority of the textile works are closing down, and the Thyssen and the Krupp factories are dismissing their employees on a large scale, owing to lack of fuel and the cost of living soaring.

A formidable crisis is predicted in a week or ten days.

FAMINE.

RIGA, July 14th.

The *Pravda* states that East Russia is on the eve of a famine in consequence of the effect of bad weather on the crops.

ARRESTS AT LEIPZIG.

BERLIN, July 18.

Further arrests have been made at Leipzig on suspicion of participation in the escape of Herr Ehrhardt on the 14th inst. The police have established the fact that the car wherein Ehrhardt escaped contained two cases of firearms. They have also established the identity of the persons involved in the escape. It appears that a student named Massow Von Prince assisted to open the doors of the prison. He was a member of the German National Peoples party and it is alleged that he worked for Ehrhardt's "consul" organisation at the time of the murder of Herr Erzberger. He was subsequently twice arrested at Hamburg in connection with a bomb plot to attack a socialist newspaper. The chauffeur of the motorcar in which Herr Ehrhardt escaped is believed to have been a young bank clerk named Goetz.

FIGHTING AT CHUNGKING.

HANKOW, July 17.

Information has been received which indicates that most severe fighting has occurred at Chungking. The port has been closed and communications cut off.

All steamers have stopped running above Wanhsien.

UPPER YANGTSZE.

ICHANG, July 18.

Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s str. "Fuhwo" which left Chungking on Sunday morning was heavily fired on immediately below Chungking. Two Chinese passengers were wounded.

FAR EAST LOAN.

LONDON, July 17.

The *Times* city editor understands that arrangements have been far advanced for the flotation of new capital, in the neighbourhood of £4,000,000, by a well-known Far Eastern railway company, to be guaranteed by the Government of the country in which the railway operates.

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The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the office of The Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited):—

Bridge Fabricant Oxygene, from Tientsin.
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Manfat, from Amoy.
Kunghing, from Shanghai.
2505, from Shanghai.
Guanyong, from Shanghai.
Tongszepun Tailoy Hotel, from Amoy
0035, from Kobe.
Namkoe 56, Des Voeux Road C., from Amoy.
Tack Hung Bank Bonham East, from Yokohama.

N. LUND,
Act. Superintendent.

Hongkong, July 12, 1923.

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Crocker, Steamship Mekong Messageries, from Penang.
J. B. Sharp, from Melbourne.
Jose Rodrigues Steamlaunch Oxmadante Talone Kowloon Docks, from Macao.
Staple (2), from Los Angeles.

R. M. MACALPINE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, July 12, 1923.

MR. SILAS K. HOCKING.

AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF A "BEST SELLER."

Mr. Silas K. Hocking, the popular Methodist preacher and veteran best-seller of "ethical fiction"—his own description—has joined the autobiographers with "My Book of Memory" (Cassell, 10s. 6d.).

"I had drifted into the ministry more or less casually," Mr. Hocking says regarding his choice of a career. His "first appointment as a fully accredited minister" was at Pontypool.

My salary was £55 per annum, out of which I paid six shillings a week for my rooms—a ridiculously small sum—and the problem I was up against was how to provide food, clothes, books, stationery, and all the other etceterns out of what remained.

Novel-writing helped considerably as time went on. His first book, "Alec Green," was published serially in a provincial newspaper—without payment. But he sold the copyright for £15, and "my first literary baby is more than forty years old now, and is still going strong."

For many years I had very few competitors in the wide field of what I may term ethical fiction. . . . Indeed, I was credited with having a larger circulation than any other living English writer.

In June, 1909, Mr. Hocking visited Germany, and was one of a delegation representing our Churches, whom the Kaiser addressed as "Brethren." A conversation with Admiral von Tirpitz followed:

I am bound to say that I was impressed by his apparent sincerity, by the readiness with which he answered my questions, by his protestations of good will, by the case he made out for Germany, looked at from his point of view.

MEMORY OF W. T. STEAD.

Mr. McKenna, then First Lord of the Admiralty, to whom Mr. Hocking reported this conversation, "was not greatly impressed. . . . He evidently believed that the German admiral had been pulling my leg. I left the Admiralty feeling considerably depressed."

Of W. T. Stead, who went down in the "Titanic," Mr. Hocking says:

He had an unshaken and an unshakable belief that he would die a violent death at the hands of a mob.

Mr. Hocking lauds the Victorian age:

For myself I wish that the present age could compare with it. We have certainly made advances in science and discovery. . . . But in art, in literature, in philosophy, even in morals, we have little reason for boasting.

On the outbreak of the war Mr. Hocking records the conclusion:

Clearly the doctrine of non-resistance demands too much, more at least than human nature can bear. Nationalism cuts deeper than the Sermon on the Mount. . . . In the present state of the world the Sermon on the Mount seemed unworkable.

Invitations poured in on him to preach.

But I put them all aside. I could not preach. I was in the wrong mood. I did not love my enemy. I could not pray for him. I wanted to curse him. I scorned to turn the other cheek, I would rather slay him.

His last words in the book are:

The League of Nations is the world's one hope. Without it the nations are doomed.

FASTER TRAINS.

80 MILES AN HOUR EXPRESSES.

This month will see a general speeding-up of British railways to cope with the holiday traffic.

During the summer service period expresses generally will develop speeds of about 80 miles an hour; and other records will be eclipsed. The fastest train in the British Isles will be the Great Western Company's afternoon straight run between Swindon and Paddington. The 77½ miles will occupy 78 minutes.

The fastest running without a stop is now made on the Great Western Railway between Paddington and Bath—106 miles at an average speed of 61 miles an hour; and on the London and North-Eastern route between Darlington and York—44 miles at 61 miles an hour.

The London and North-Eastern Railway are speeding up their services, and the Scottish expresses are to be due in Edinburgh and Glasgow from 15 minutes to 72 minutes in advance of the present timings. Trains from King's Cross to Leeds, Bradford and the West Riding will be accelerated from 15 to 35 minutes; and the 11.50 a.m. for Scarborough will run the 188 miles to York without a stop.

The alterations in the train services generally will be so numerous that the different companies' timetables should be carefully studied before making a journey.

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Credits, 4 months' sight	...2/3-½
Documentary 4 months' sight	2/3-½
On Paris—	
On demand, ...	870
Credits, 4 months' sight, ...	930
On New York—	nom.
On demand, ...	51½
Credits, 60 days' sight ...	53½
On Bombay—	
Wire, ...	—
On demand	160½
On Calcutta—	
Wire, ...	—
On demand	166½
On Singapore—	
On demand	96
On Manila—	
On demand, ...	103½
On Shanghai—	
On demand	nom.
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and on Shanghai ...	$ 73¾	$73¾
Hongkong Banks	$ 1120 b. 1125 sa.	s. 1125
do. New	—	
East Asia Bank	104½ n.	n. 105
Marine Insurances		
Canton Insurance	$ 620 b.	b. 620 sa. 625
North China Insurance ...	$ 140 b.	b. 140
Union Insurance	$228½ b.	b. 228 sa. 229
Yangtsze Insurance	$26 b.	b. 28
Far Easterns	—	
Fire Insurances		
China Fire Insurance	$ 137 b.	b. 112
Hongkong Fire Insurance ...	$475 b.	b. 470
Shipping		
Douglases	$ 65 n.	b. 61½
H.K. Steamboats	$ 40½ b.	b. 40½
Indo-Chinas (Pref.)	$ 37½ b.	n. 35
do. (Def.)...	$ 159 s.	..... —
do. (H.K. Reg.) ...	159 s.	n. 152
Shell Transports	74/- n.	b. 74/-
Star Ferries	$ 53 b.	b. 53
Refineries		
China Sugar	$ 222½ n.	b. 216
Malabon Sugar	$ 60 s.	s. 61
Mining		
Kailan Mining Adm.	47/6 b.	b. 45/-
Langkats ... ... } Comb.	T 30½ n.	n. 31.60
Shanghai Loans ... }		
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Raubs	$ 5 n.	s. 5½
Tronoh Mines	28/- n.	n. 28/-
Ural Caspians	12/3 n	
Benguet Con.	P. 3¾ b.	
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H. & K. Wharfs	$ 161 s.	b. 161
H. & W. Dock...	$ 151½ n.	149½ b. sa. 150
Shai Docks	T 99 b.	b. 98½
New Engineerings...	T 8 s.	n. 8½
H.K. Engineerings...	—	
Shanghai Hongkews	T 195 b.	
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Hongkong Lands	$ 370 b.	b. 372 sa. 374
Humphreys.	$ 26 n.	sa. 25½.60
Kowloon Lands	$ 82 b.	b. 81
Land Reclamations	$ 103 n.	n. 103
Princes Building	$110 b.	b. 110
Cotton Mills		
Ewo Cotton Mills, Ltd....	Tls 12½ b. & sa.	(sa. 12½)
Kung Yiks	—	
Laou Kung Mows	—	
Orientals	T 5½ n.	n. 5
Shanghai Cotton	T 100 s.	n. 99
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Miscellaneous		
Cements	$30.30 n.	sa. 29.80
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China Providents	$15.20 b.	sa. 15.15
do. (New)	$15.10 sa.	b. 14½
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H.K. Electrics...	$33 b.	b. 33 sa. 33½
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Peak Tramways (Old)	$ 13 b.	b. 13
Do. (New)	$ 2 b.	b. 1½
Steam Laundries	$ —	—
H.K. Steel Foundry	$ 12.60 s.	s. 12.60
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Chief Manager.

Hongkong, November 14, 1922.

THE KEY TO GROW RICH.

THE CHINA INDUSTRIES DEVELOPMENT BANKING CORPORATION LIMITED, of 5, Duddell Street, gives to all its depositors a handsome rate of interest.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL $1,000,000.00

INTEREST:—

For Fixed Deposit ..1 year	@ 6 %
" ..9 months	@ 5½%
" ..6 months	@ 5 %
" ..3 months	@ 4 %
For Current Account ...	@ 2 %
For Special Deposit..(personal arrangement)	
For Current Savings ...	@ 4½%
For Fixed Savings ..(Regulations obtainable).	

CHIU CHU KEH,
Manager.

Hongkong, January 10, 1923.

PEAK TRAMWAYS CO., LTD

TIME TABLE

WEEK DAYS

7.00 a.m.	7.10 a.m.	
7.20 " to	8.00 "	Every 15 Minutes
8.30 " "	8.20 "	" 10 "
		Stopping
	8.30 "	Non Stop
	8.37 "	Stopping
	8.47 "	Non Stop
	8.54 "	Stopping
	9.04 "	Non Stop
	9.11 "	Stopping
	9.20 "	Stopping
9.30 a.m. to	11.00 a.m.	Every 10 Minutes
11.30 " "	12.30 p.m.	" 15 "
		Stopping
	12.40 "	Non Stop
	12.47 "	Stopping
	12.57 "	Non Stop
	1.04 "	Stopping
	1.15 "	Non Stop
	1.20 "	Stopping
1.30 p.m. to	4.00 p.m.	Every 10 Minutes
4.00 " "	4.30 "	" 15 "
4.30 " "	6.20 "	" 10 "
		Stopping
	6.40 "	Non Stop
	6.47 "	Stopping
	6.57 "	Non Stop
	7.04 "	Stopping
	7.13 "	Non Stop
	7.20 "	Stopping
	7.30 "	Non Stop
	7.37 "	Stopping
	7.47 "	Non Stop
	7.54 "	Stopping
	8.03 "	Non Stop
	8.10 "	Stopping

SUNDAYS

7.00 a.m.	7.10 a.m.	
7.20 " to	9.30 "	Every 15 Minutes
9.30 " "	11.00 "	" 10 "
11.15 " "	12.00 Noon "	" 15 "
12.00 Noon "	1.00 p.m. "	" 10 "
1.00 p.m. "	2.30 " "	" 15 "
2.30 " "	4.30 "	" 10 "
4.30 " "	5.30 "	" 15 "
5.30 " "	6.30 "	" 10 "
		Stopping
	6.40 "	Non Stop
	6.47 "	Stopping
	6.57 "	Non Stop
	7.04 "	Stopping
	7.13 "	Non Stop
	7.20 "	Stopping
	7.30 "	Non Stop
	7.37 "	Stopping
	7.47 "	Non Stop
	7.54 "	Stopping
	8.03 "	Non Stop
	8.10 "	Stopping

SATURDAYS: EXTRA CAR
12.00 Midnight.

NIGHT CARS. WEEKDAYS & SUNDAYS

8.50 p.m.	9.00 p.m.	9.20 p.m.
9.30 " to	11.00 "	Every 60 Minutes
11.15 " "	11.45 "	" 15 "
		Stopping

SPECIAL CARS.

By Arrangement at the Company's Office Alexandra Buildings.

Hongkong June 1, 1923.

Blazon Type Not Necessary.

Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy needs no glaring headline to attract the public eye. The simple statement that all chemists sell it is sufficient, as every family knows its value. It has been used for forty years and is just what its name implies. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE:—
No. 10 Des Voeux Road Central.
Established 1919.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL $10,000,000.00
PAID-UP CAPITAL $5,000,000.00
RESERVE FUND $500,000.00

DIRECTORS:—
Mr. Fung Wai Ting, Chairman.
Hon. Mr. Chew Shou Son, Mr. Kan Ting Po
Mr. Li Koon Chun, Mr. Mok Ching Mong
Mr. Fung Ping Shan, Mr. Wong Wan Tung
Mr. P. K. Kwok, Mr. Chan Ching Shek
Mr. Kan-Chi Nam, Mr. Ng Chung Yat
Mr. Huyuh

Chief Manager, Mr. Kan Tong Po.
Asst. Manager, Mr. Li Tse Sang.

BRANCHES & AGENCIES:—

LONDON	NEW YORK
PARIS	SAN FRANCISCO
SHANGHAI	YOKOHAMA
KOBE	SAIGON
MAGASARY	PENANG
SINGAPORE	HANKOW
TIENTSIN	BATAVIA
MANILA	SOURABAYA
SAMARANG	BOMBAY
CALCUTTA	CANTON

London Bankers—The London Joint City and Midland Bank, Ltd.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Loans granted on approved securities.

Interest allowed on Current Deposit Account at the rate of Two per cent. per annum on Savings Account Four per cent. per annum, and on Fixed Deposits at the following rates:—
For 2 months at the rate of 3% per annum.
For 6 months at the rate of 4% per annum.
For 12 months at the rate of 5% per annum.

SAN TONG PO,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, March 5th, 1923.

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL MAATSCHAPPIJ.

(NETHERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY.)

ESTABLISHED 1824.

Authorised Capital	F. 100,000,000	£8,333,333
Paid-up Capital ...	F. 80,000,000	£6,666,666
Reserve Fund....	F. 19,445,200	£1,620,433
Special Reserve ..	F. 22,560,000	£1,883,333

HEAD OFFICE:—Amsterdam.
Branches at
The Hague, Rotterdam.
HEAD AGENCY:—Batavia.

BRANCHES:—

Bandjermasin	Macassar	Shanghai
Bandoeng	Medan	Singapore
Bombay	Padang	Soerabaia
Calcutta	Palembang	Soerakarta
Cheribon	Pekalongan	(Solo)
Djember	Penang	Tegal
Djokjakarta	Pontianak	Tjilatjap
Kobe	Rangoon	Waiteverreden
Kota-Radja	Samarang	

Correspondents: Colombo, Madras, Pondicherry, Bangkok, Saigon, Haiphong, Hanoi, Amoy, Yokohama, Melbourne, Sydney, New York, San Francisco, &c., &c.

London Bankers:—The National Provincial and Union Bank of England, Limited.

The Bank buys and sells and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, issues letters of credit on its Branches and correspondents in the East, on the Continent, in Great Britain, America and Australia, and transacts banking business of every description.

W. H. GROSKAMP,
Agent.

Hongkong, January 3, 1923.

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LTD.
(TAIWAN GINKO.)

Incorporated by Imperial Charter, 1899.

Capital Subscribed ..... Yen 60,000,000
Capital (Paid-up) ..... " 32,500,000
Reserve Funds ..... " 19,180,000

HEAD OFFICE:
TAIPEH, FORMOSA.

BRANCHES:
JAPAN—Tokyo, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka, Moji.
FORMOSA—Giran, Kagi, Kirinko, Keelung, Makung, Nanto, Pinan, Shinchiku, Taichu, Tainan, Takow, Tamsui, Tokyen, Ako.
CHINA—Shanghai, Hankow, Kiukiang, Amoy, Foochow, Swatow, Canton.
OTHERS—Bangkok, Hongkong, Singapore, Soerabaya, Samarang, Batavia, Bombay, London, New York.

LONDON BANKERS:
London County Westminster and Parr's Bank.

The Bank has Correspondents in the Commercial Centres in the European Continent, Russia, Manchuria, Tsingtao, Japan, Indo-China, Siam, India, Philippine Islands, Java, and other Dutch Indies, Australia, America, Africa, &c.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts, and Fixed Deposits at rates which will be quoted on application.

S. KONDOH,
Manager.

HONGKONG BRANCH:
9, Des Voeux Road Central.

Hongkong, April 4, 1923.

THE BANK OF CHINA,

行銀國中

(Specially authorised by Presidential Mandate of the Republic of China on the 22nd of November, 1917).

Authorised Capital $60,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital 18,278,600.00
Reserve Funds 9,629,476.24

HEAD OFFICE: PEKING.

HONGKONG BRANCH:
4, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Branches and Sub-branches all over China and Correspondents in Europe, America, and other parts of the world.

London Bankers:—The National Provincial and Union Bank of England, Ltd.
The Guaranty Trust Company of New York.
New York Bankers:—The Irving National Bank.
The Equitable Trust Company of New York.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits. Terms on application.

Every description of Banking Business transacted.

Loans granted on approved securities.
Special facilities for Home Exchange.

TSUYEE PEI,
Manager.

THE NATIONAL COMMERCIAL & SAVINGS BANK, LTD.
169, Des Voeux Road, Central.

(商業儲蓄銀行有限公司)

Authorised Capital $2,000,000.00

Managing Director:—Y. P. Ma, Esq.
Chief Manager:—Wong Kwok Shuen, Esq.
Sub-Manager:—Chim Kew, Esq.

General Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Loans granted on approval securities.

Current, Savings and Fixed Deposits bear interest at rates 3%, 4½% and 5½% per annum respectively.

Y. P. MA, Managing Director.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA & CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.

HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.

PAID-UP CAPITAL ...	... £3,000,000
RESERVE FUND ...	... £3,300,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS ...	... £3,000,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. H. FERGUSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, May 8, 1923.

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE

HEAD OFFICE:
96, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ... Frs. 72,000,000.00
PAID UP CAPITAL ... Frs. 68,400,000.00
RESERVE FUNDS ... ... Frs. 59,567,283.86

BRANCHES:

Bangkok	Hongkong	Saigon
Battambang	Mongtze	Shanghai
Canton	Noumea	Singapore
Dibouti	Papeete	Tientsin
Haiphong	Peking	Tourane
Hankow	Pnom-Penh	Yunnanfu
Hanoi	Pondicherry	

BANKERS:
IN FRANCE: Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Crédit Lyonnais, Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas, Crédit Industriel et Commercial Société Générale.
IN LONDON: The National Provincial & Union Bank of England Ltd; Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Crédit Lyonnais.
IN NEW YORK: J. P. Morgan & Co., French American Banking Corporation; Guaranty Trust Co. of New York.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits according to arrangement.

Every description of banking and exchange business transacted.

V. MARSOT,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, Nov. 1, 1920.

BANK OF CANTON LIMITED

HEAD OFFICE
HONGKONG.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking Business transacted

CURRENT ACCOUNTS.
2% per annum on the daily credit balances of over $100.00.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS.
For 3 Months 3% per annum.
For 6 Months 4% per annum.
For 12 Months 5% per annum.
On demand 2% per annum.

LOOK POONG SHAN,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 24, 1921.

THE CHINESE MERCHANTS BANK, LTD.

HEAD OFFICE:
Alexandra Buildings, Chater Road

General Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Loans granted on approved securities.

Current Accounts opened and Fixed Deposits received at rates which may be ascertained on application.

The Bank also conducts a Savings Department

K. O. LAU,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, Aug. 17, 1920.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LTD.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL (fully paid up) ... Yen 100,000,000
RESERVE FUND ... Yen 50,000,000

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES IN

BATAVIA	NEWCHWANG
BOMBAY	NEW YORK
BUENOS AYRES	OSAKA
CHANGCHUN	PEKING
CHANGCHOW	RANGOON
DAIREN (DALNY)	RIO DE JANEIRO
FENGTIEN (MUKDEN)	SAIGON
HAMBURG	SAN FRANCISCO
HANKOW	SHANGHAI
HARBIN	SHINKINGKAI
HONGKONG	SINGAPORE
KOBE	SOURABAYA
LONDON	SYDNEY
LOS ANGELES	TIENTSIN
LYONS	TOKYO
MANILA	TSINANFU
NAGASAKI	VLADIVOSTOCK
NAGOYA	WASHINGTON

Interest allowed on Current Accounts.

Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

T. NISHIYAMA,
Manager.

Hongkong, March 19, 1923.

NOTICE.

HIGH-CLASS PRINTING AND BOOK BINDING

DONE AT THE CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

BOOKS & PAMPHLETS A SPECIALTY

Prospectuses, Trade Circulars, Programmes, Menus, etc. etc. Artistically Arranged and Carefully Printed.

Clean Proofs and Prompt delivery guaranteed.

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

Banks

The Bank of Canton, Ltd., Des Voeux Road Central.

China Specie Bank, Ltd. 6, Duddell Street.

Building Contractors

Wing On & Co. Building Contractors. 64, D'Aguilar Street. Tel. Cen. 1597

Coal Merchants

Kailan Mining Admin. (c/o Dodwell & Co., Ltd.), Colliery & Steamship Owners. Bituminous Coal, Coke, Firebricks.

K. Kimura & Co. 9, Connaught Road Central.

Kwong Hang & Co., Coal Merchants 13 Des Voeux Rd. Cen. Tel. Cen. 2736

Matsui & Co., 5 Queen's Road Central, Merchants, Coal Contractors and Shipping Agents—Phone Cen. 1543.

Cotton Yarn Importers

Gosho Kabushiki Kaisha, Importers Cotton Yarn & Piece Goods; No. 7 Mercantile Bank Building. Tel. Cen. 2774 and 2908

Curio Dealers

Luck Hing, Chinese Curios & Silver Ware

Dentist

Harry Fong, Dentist, 1st floor, No. 74, Queen's Road Central, Tel. Central No. 1255.

Electrical Suppliers

Sun Hing Co., Electro-platers and Electrical Contractors also Typewriter Repairers. 10 Pottinger St. Tel. Cen. 3580

Engineers & Shipbuilders.

W. S. Bailey & Co., Ltd Engineer & Shipbuilder Kowloon Bay New Work & Repairs Call Flag "L

Fertilizer

Eastern Agricultural Fertilizer Co., 95 Jervois St. Tel. C.2330 Sole agents Bat Guano-King of Fertilizers

Glass Merchants

A. Ling & Co., Glass Merchants, Furniture, Mirror and Canton Marble Manufacturer. Electro-plated, Glass and Crockery Wares and Photo Supplies. 19, Queen's Road Central. Tel. Central No. 1919.

Hotels

Palace Hotel, Kowloon—Corner of Haiphong and Hankow Roads. Few minutes from ferry.

Importers & Exporters

Cho Bros. & Co., Importers and Exporters and Commission Agents. Des Voeux Road.

Kwong Sun & Co., 56 Queen's Road Central. Ko Chi Chung (Manager), Kwong King Him (Asst.) Tel. Cen. 3189.

Masuda Trading Co., Importers and Exporters, NIKKO—Japanese fine art curios, 43 Queen's Road Ctl. Tel. Cen. 1259

Sam Hing Loong, 97-8-99 Queen's Road Central. General Storekeepers, Wine & Cigar Merchants, General Importers, Exporters of Chinese Produce. Tel. Central 351.

Patell & Co., P. O. Box 316

Land & Estate Agents

Pun Yick Cho, Land & Estate agents Tel. Central 911-1987. 25, Queen's Road Central.

Leather Goods

Nam Kang Suitcase Co., Best makers of Leather Suitcases, Hand Bags, Purses, Belts, etc. Pottinger St., 208 Queen's Rd. Ct. and 28 Hillier St.

Fo Hing, 224 Des Voeux Road. Manufacturers of Leather Suitcases, Hand Bags, Trunks etc.

Merchants.

Asia Commercial & Development Co.—China Bank Buildings (3rd floor) Tel. 3609

Gibbs, J & Co., Alexandra Building.

Millinery

Madame Lily,—Alexandra Building. Latest models and creations from Paris in Frocks and Millinery. "The Centre of Fashion."

Miners

China Commercial Co., Ltd. Miners, Importers and Exporters 54-56 Queen's Road Ct. Tel. Cen. 2802.

Modistes

Madame Flint, 31, Queen's Road Cen. Tel. Cen. 589. (latest Parisian models)

Optician

The Hongkong Optical Co. Phone 3222, 53, Queen's Road Central

N. Lazarus, Opticians. Tel. Cen. 23 3. 18, Queen's Rd. Central

Photographers

Mee Cheung, Photographer, 23, Ice House Street, 7 Beaconsfield Arcade (Branch). Developing & Printing undertaken.

Fo Kwong Photo Studio 129, Wellington Street, Photo Supplies and Developing. Art picture dealer.

Printers

The "China Mail," General Printers, Publishers and Bookbinders. 5, Wyndham Street, Tel. Cen. 22.

Rubber & Wood,

Tankahkee & Co., 30 Connaught Rd. W. Manufacturers of Rubber Soles and Singapore Wood. Tel. Central 4473.

Scales.

Mustard & Co., Connaught Road Ctl.

Ship Chandlers

Chung Fook, 78 Connaught Rd. Ctl. First floor. Tel. Central 639. Shipchandler, Stevedores and Compradore.

E. Hing & Co., 25 Wing Woo Street. Tel Central 1116 Metal Merchants & Ship Chandlers, Managing Director— Mr. H. S. Chin.

Wang Kee & Co., Shipchandlers, Compradores, Stevedores & Coal Merchants, Ballast & Pilot supply. No. 36 & 37, Connaught Road, Tel. Central No. 940.

Shipowners

Man Wing S. S. Co., Ltd., 38 Bonham Strand West. Tel. Cen. 1710 Regular Fortnightly Service Hongkong and Haiphong via Hoihow, s.s. "Haitan."

Thai Thuan S. S. Co., Ltd., 147 Wing Lok Street, East. Tel. Cen. 93 s.s. "Derwent" s.s. "Bourbon" between Hongkong and Saigon

Shoemakers

Jam Kee, Dealer in Sewing Machines and Accessories, Boot & Shoe Maker. 7 Pottinger Street.

WONG SIU WOON BOOTS, SHOES & SLIPPERS FOR LADIES, GENTS & CHILDREN, BEST DESIGNS, PRICES MODERATE. 21, POTTINGER ST., PHONE 2476

Silk Stores.

D. Chellaram.—Royal Silk Store. 36a Queen's Road Central, Satin Crepe de Chine, Georgette and Brocade Silks.

Pohoomull Bros., 30, Queen's Rd. C.

Tailors

Hongkong Tailoring Co. Ladies' and Gent's Tailors, 1c, D'Aguilar Street. New Materials of all descriptions. Tel. Centl. 2880.

Ah Young, Tailors, Drapers & Outfitters, Hat & Clothing. Suits made to order. No. 74, Queen's Road Central, Tel. Central No. 2830.

Sing Cheong, Ladies' and Gentlemen's Tailor. 24, Wyndham Street, 2nd floor.

Tobaccos, Cigarettes.

British American Tobacco Co. (China), Ltd. 15-19 Connaught Road.

Typewriters, Etc.

Mustard & Co., Connaught Road Ct.

Wine & Spirit Merchants

Kwan Tye, General Storekeeper Wine & Spirit Merchant. No. 102, Queen's Road Centr

HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1908-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet inches below mean sea-level

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 4 inches to the height given in the table.

July 16 to 22, 1923.

Day of Week	Day of Month	High Water Standard Time (h m)	High Water Height (feet)	Low Water Hongkong Standard Time (h m)	Low Water Height (feet)
Mon.	16	m 10 13	7.0	m 3 52	2.8
				5 41 a	0.8
Tues.	17	m 0 4	4.4	m 4 35	2.8
		m 10 53	7.6	5 34 a	0.7
Wed.	18	m 0 49	4.3	m 5 21	2.9
		m 11 47	6.9	7 0 a	1.1
Thur.	19	m 1 40	4.7	m 6 21	3.0
		0 48 a	6.3	7 57 a	1.5
Fri.	20	m 2 36	4.9	m 7 38	3.1
		1 56 a	6.5	8 45 a	2.0
Sat.	21	m 3 33	5.3	m 9 18	3.1
		3 11 a	6.0	9 43 a	2.5
Sun.	22	m 4 28	5.6	m 11 4	2.7
		5 2 a	4.6	10 36 a	2.8

WHY SHOULD SHE?

"Hello! It that you, mother, dear?" "Yes, Sue. What is it? Something awful must have happened for you to call me up at this——?"

"It not so awful. But John, dear, hasn't been feeling well, and the doctor gave him pills to take every four hours I've been sitting up to give them to him, and now it's about time for the medicine, but John has fallen asleep. Should I wake him?"

"I wouldn't if I were you. What is he suffering from?"

"Insomnia."

WEATHER REPORT.

July 18d. 19h. 00m.—Warning to Hongkong, Coast Ports, &c.:—Depression or typhoon of unknown intensity within 120 miles of Lat. 16 N. Long. 126 E., moving N.N.W.

July 19d. 12h. 20m.—Warning to Hongkong, Coast Ports, &c.:—Depression, or typhoon of unknown intensity within 120 miles of Lat. 13 N. Long. 120 E., moving West.

July 19d. 12h. 26m.—Pressure has decreased moderately at Manila and slightly from Yap to Guam. It has increased slightly from S.W. Japan to Formosa and is nearly stationary elsewere.

The typhoon has crossed the Visayas in the form of a shallow depression apparently. It will probably deepen in the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0·02 inch. Total since January 1st, 30.47 inches against an average of 46·16 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on July 20, 1923.

1.—Formosa Channel. S. winds, moderate; generally fair, some showers.

2.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks. S. winds, moderate; generally fair, some showers.

3.—Hongkong to Gap Rock. S. winds, moderate; generally fair, some showers.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. S. winds, moderate; generally fair, some showers.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY, HONGKONG.
DAILY WEATHER REPORT
JULY 19, 1923.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.
Vl'divostock	6a.	29.84	68	—	SE	2	o
Yemuro	5a.	29.86	—	—	—	—	—
Hakodate	"	29.88	—	—	...	0	—
Tokio	"	29.88	—	—	...	—	—
Kochi	"	29.92	—	—	...	—	—
Nagasaki	"	29.90	—	—	SW	4	—
Kagoshima.	"	29.92	—	—	—	0	—
Oshima	"	29.92	—	—	...	—	—
Naha	"	29.88	—	—	...	0	—
Ishi'jima	"	29.84	—	—	S	1	—
Bonin Island	"	29.98	—	—	ESE	1	—
Weihaiwei	6a.	—	—	—	...	—	—
Ichang	"	—	—	—	...	—	—
Kiukiang	"	—	—	—	...	—	—
Changsha		...	—	—	...	—	—
Shanghai	"	29.73	77	100	S	1	o
Gutzlaff	"	29.76	76	100	SSW	2	o
Sharp Pk.	7a.	29.86	80	95	S	1	r
Amoy	6a.	29.75	82	83	...	0	o
Swatow	..	—	...	...	...	—	—
Taihoku	5	29.81	79	92	...	0	o
Taichu	"	29.80	75	—	...	0	o
Tainan	"	29.79	77	—	NE	2	b
Koshun	"	29.80	79	—	E	2	b
Pescadores.	"	29.80	79	—	...	0	b
Canton	6	29.77	79	85	SSE	1	c
Hongkong	"	29.75	80	87	...	0	c
Gap Rock	"	29.75	—	—	ESE	3	b
Macao	"	29.72	81	84	E	2	b
Wuchow	9a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pakhoi	"	...	—	—	...	—	—
Hoihow	"	...	—	—	...	—	—
Phulien	7a.	29.73	77	91	ENE	4	o
Tourane	"	29.67	75	—	WNW	2	o
C. St. James	"	29.71	75	—	SW	6	o
Aparri	6a.	29.72	77	94	...	0	r
Dagupan	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	"	29.63	75	94	NE	2	o
Legaspi	"	...	—	—	...	—	—
Tacloban	"	...	—	—	...	—	—
Iloilo	"	—	—	—	...	—	—
Surigao	"	29.72	75	85	...	0	o
Guam	4.20	29.69	—	—	SE	4	r
Yap	4.47	29.73	—	—	WSW	4	o
Labuan	6a.	29.76	77	91	SW	4	b

C. W. JEFFRIES, *Director.*
Hongkong Observatory, July 19, 1923.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day at 9 p.m.	On date at 6 a.m.	On date 1 p.m.
Barometer	29.72	29.75	29.74
Temperature	87	80	84
Humidity	68	87	78
Direction of Wind	E	CALM	E
Force	3	0	4
Weather	b	c	o
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.02

Highest open air Temperature on the 18th—87
Lowest open air Temperature on the 19th—80

T. F. CLAXTON, *Director.*
Hongkong, Observatory, July, 19, 1923.

HONGKONG TIME SIGNALS.

The Time Ball on Kowloon Signal Hill is dropped daily at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., except on Saturdays when it is dropped at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., and on Sundays and Holidays when it is dropped at a.m.

The Ball is hoisted half mast at 55th minute and full mast at the 57th minute. Should the ball fail to drop at the correct time it will be lowered at 5 minutes past the hour and the ordinary routine repeated at the following hour, if possible.

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Time Signals are also given at night by means of three white lamps mounted vertically on the Obervatory wireless mast.

From 8.56 to 9.00 p.m. the lamps extinguished momentarily at the even seconds, except at the 2nd, 28th, 50th 52nd, and 54th of each minute.

The hours refer to Hongkong Standard Time (8 hours East of Greenwich.

Board of Conservancy Works of Kwangtung.

Waterlevels in English Feet at 8 a.m.

Place of Observation	Highest W.L. ever recorded Feet	Lowest W.L. ever recorded Feet	1923 W.L. 17/7 Feet	1923 W.L. 18/7 Feet
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Kongmoon West River	+ 14.70	—0.80	5.1	5.4
Linkoughow North River	+ 57.00	0		
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SUNDAY, JULY 22.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa .... Kaijo Maru .... 9 a.m.

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Japan .... Rakuyo Maru .... 11 a.m.
Saigon, *Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Aden, Egypt & *EUROPE via MARSEILLES,—due Marseilles 26th August, Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m. .... Porthos
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TUESDAY, JULY 24.

Shanghai Japan and *VICTORIA B.C.—due Victoria 21st Aug. .... Kaga Maru .... 9.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow .... Haifoong .... 9.30 a.m.
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FRIDAY, JULY 27.

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